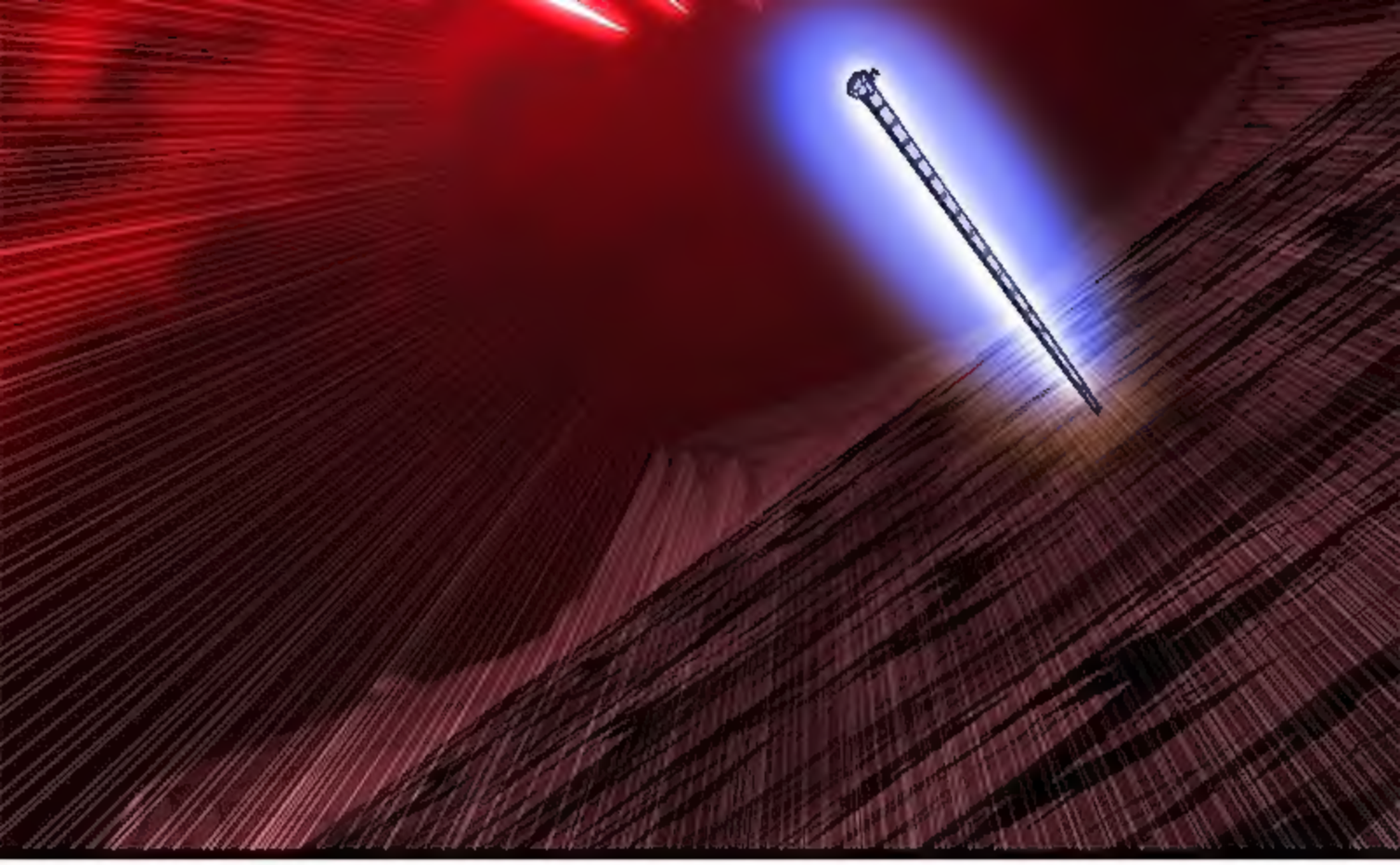

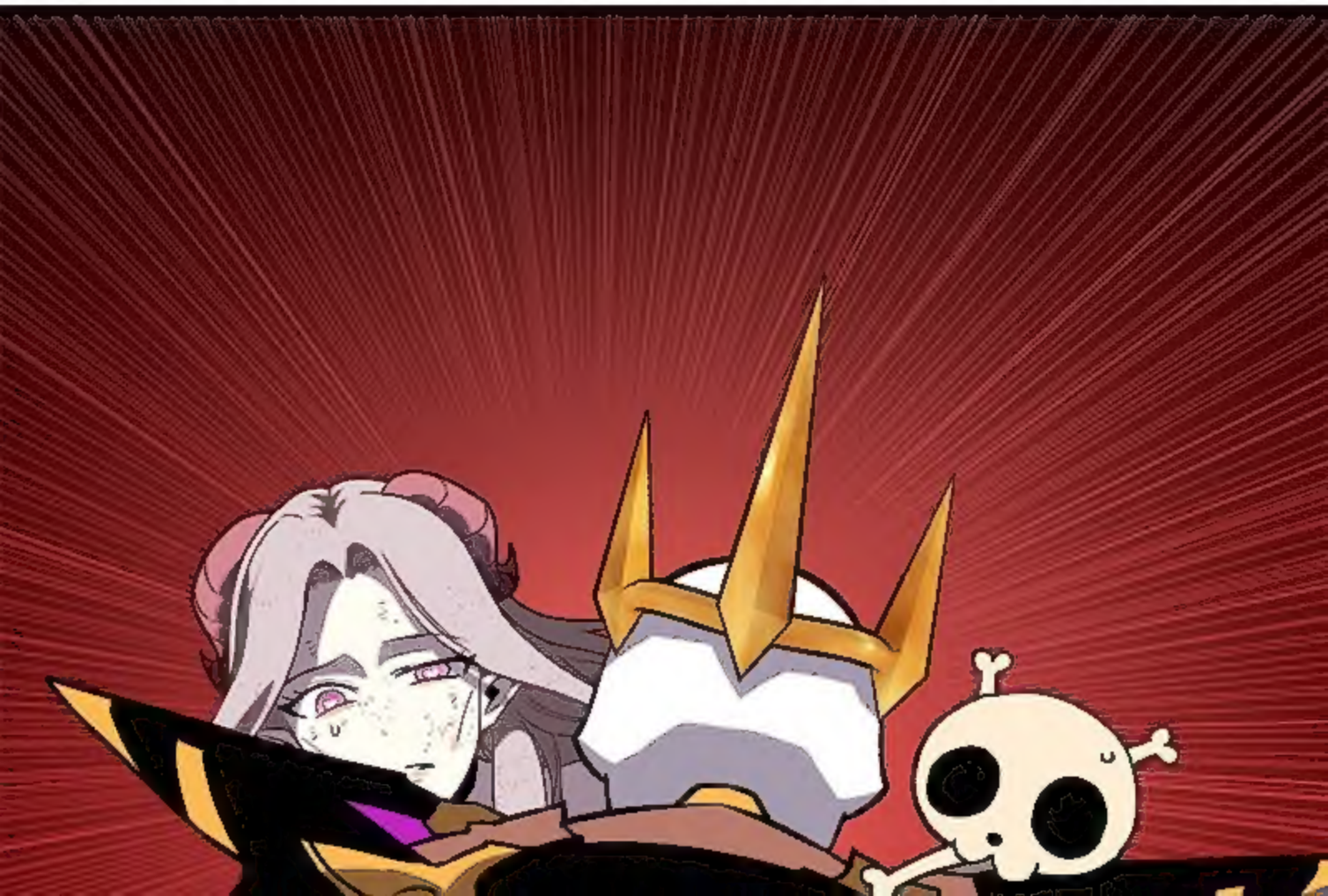

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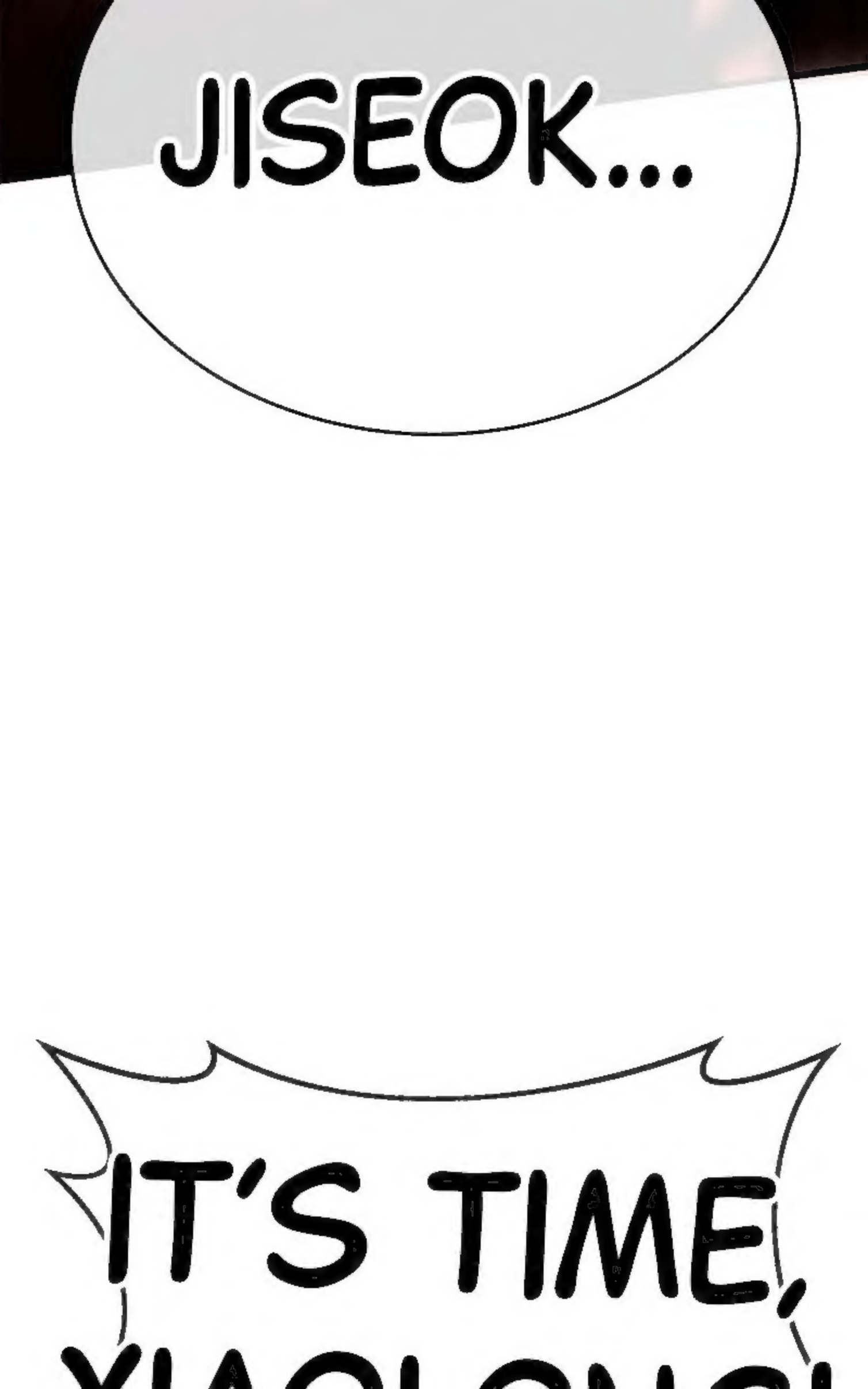

JISEOK...
IT'S TIME,

XIAOLONG!

HUH?! DO YOU MEAN...

YUP! THAT'S THE ONE!
KEKEKE! JUST GIVE ME THE SIGNAL!

NOW!

KEKEKE
KEKE!

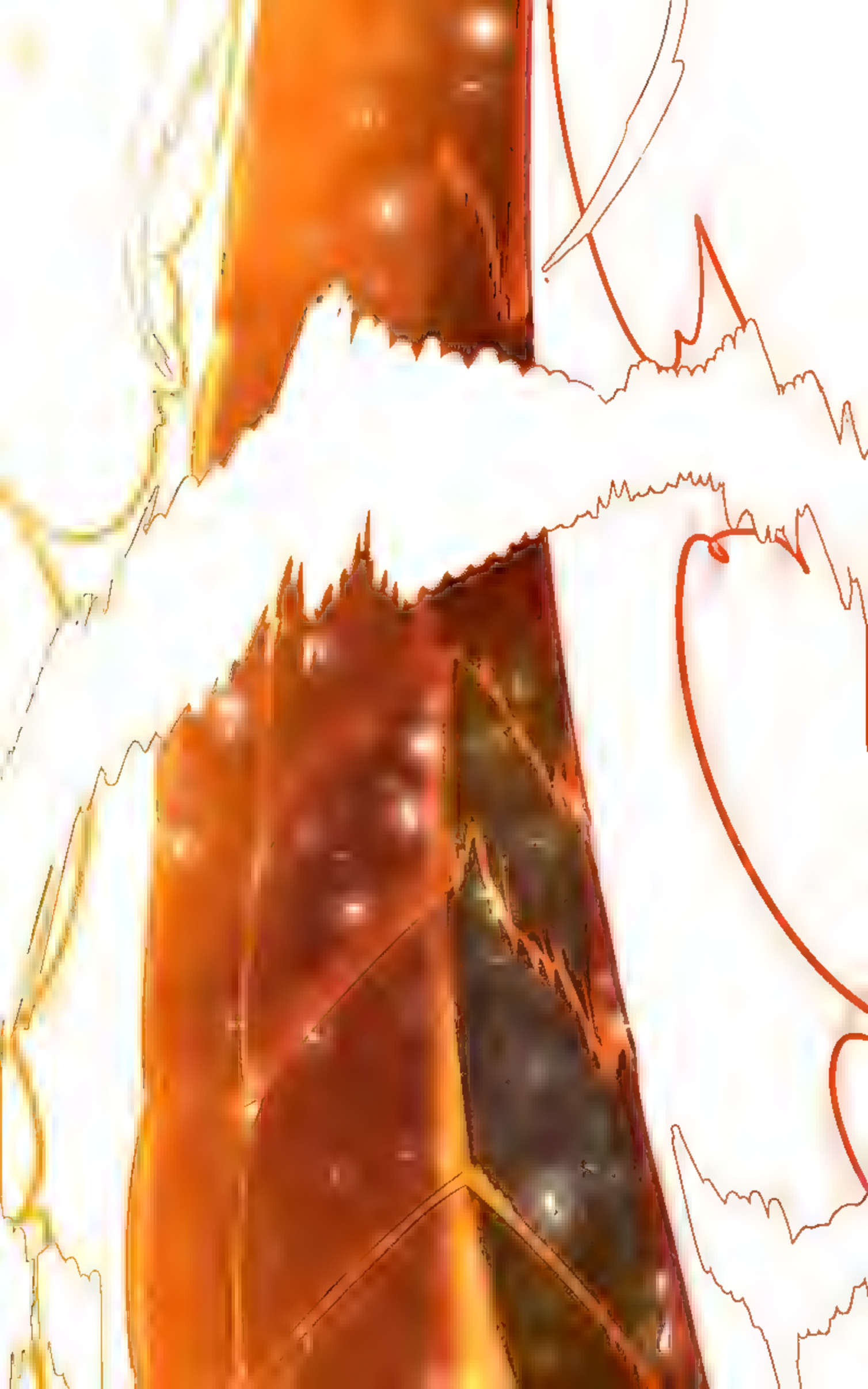
RUMBLE

RUMBLE
HYAAA

AAA!

TRI-RUSH
DUAL
DESTROYER!!!

WHAT?!



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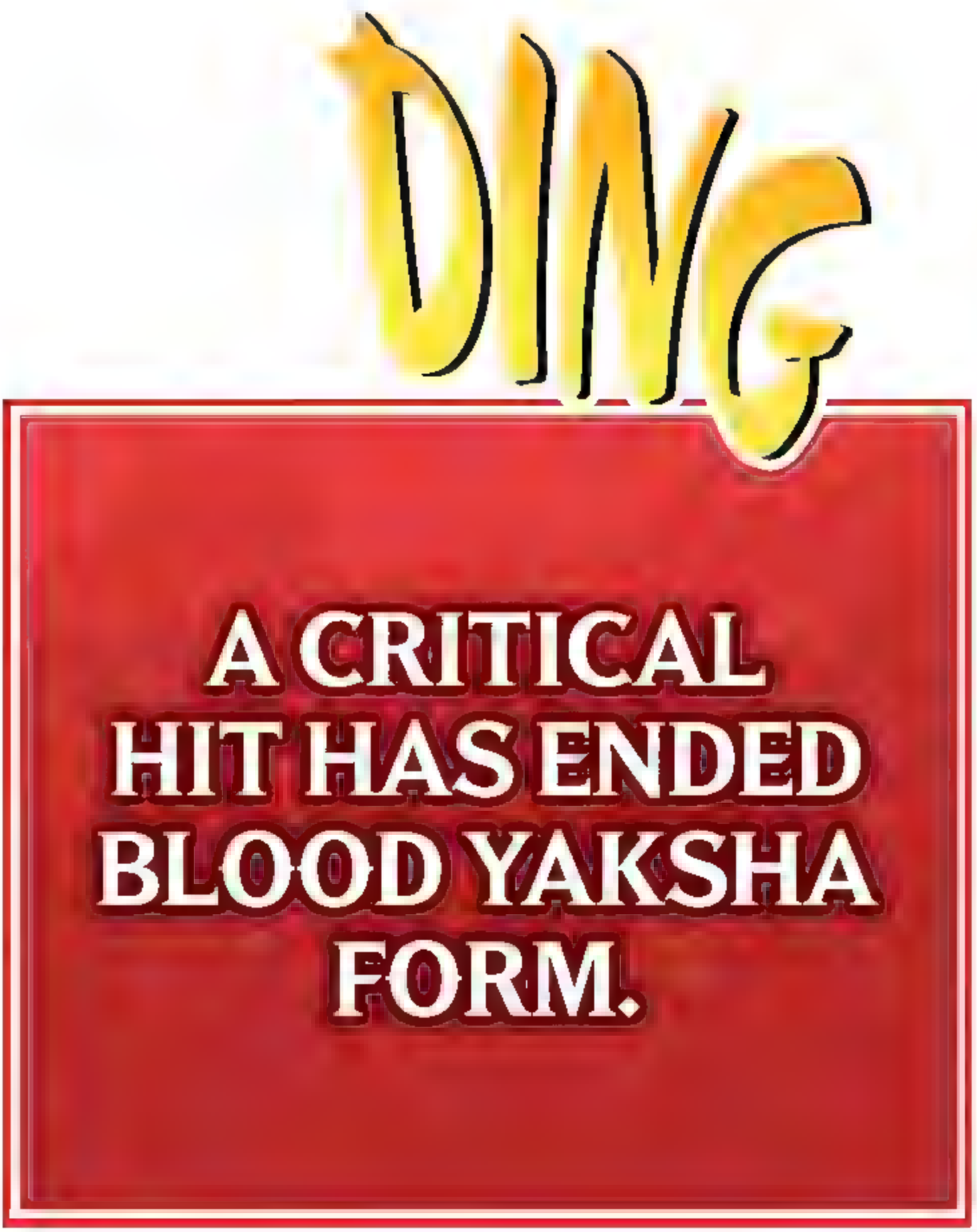
DING
A CRITICAL HIT HAS ENDED BLOOD YAKSHA FORM.

M-MMPH!

AS A PENALTY FOR FAILING TO DEFEAT YOUR OPPONENT IN BLOOD YAKSHA MODE, YOU WILL NOW LOSE THE ENERGY YOU'VE STORED.

WH-WHAT?!
DAMN IT!
THIS CAN'T BE!

BOOM

KEKEKE!
THAT WAS
A MARVELOUS
VICTORY,
MASTER!

WHOO!

YIKES, CUT THE CRINGEY HERO TALK.

AND THIS

MIGHT NOT BE OVER.

I HAVEN'T GOTTEN A BADGE YET.

PEWW

HUH?

WHAT'S THIS...?

THE STORED ENERGY WILL NOW RETURN TO ITS ORIGINAL OWNERS.

PEWW

HMM?

FWOOM
WHAT'S THIS?!

EEK!
ACK!

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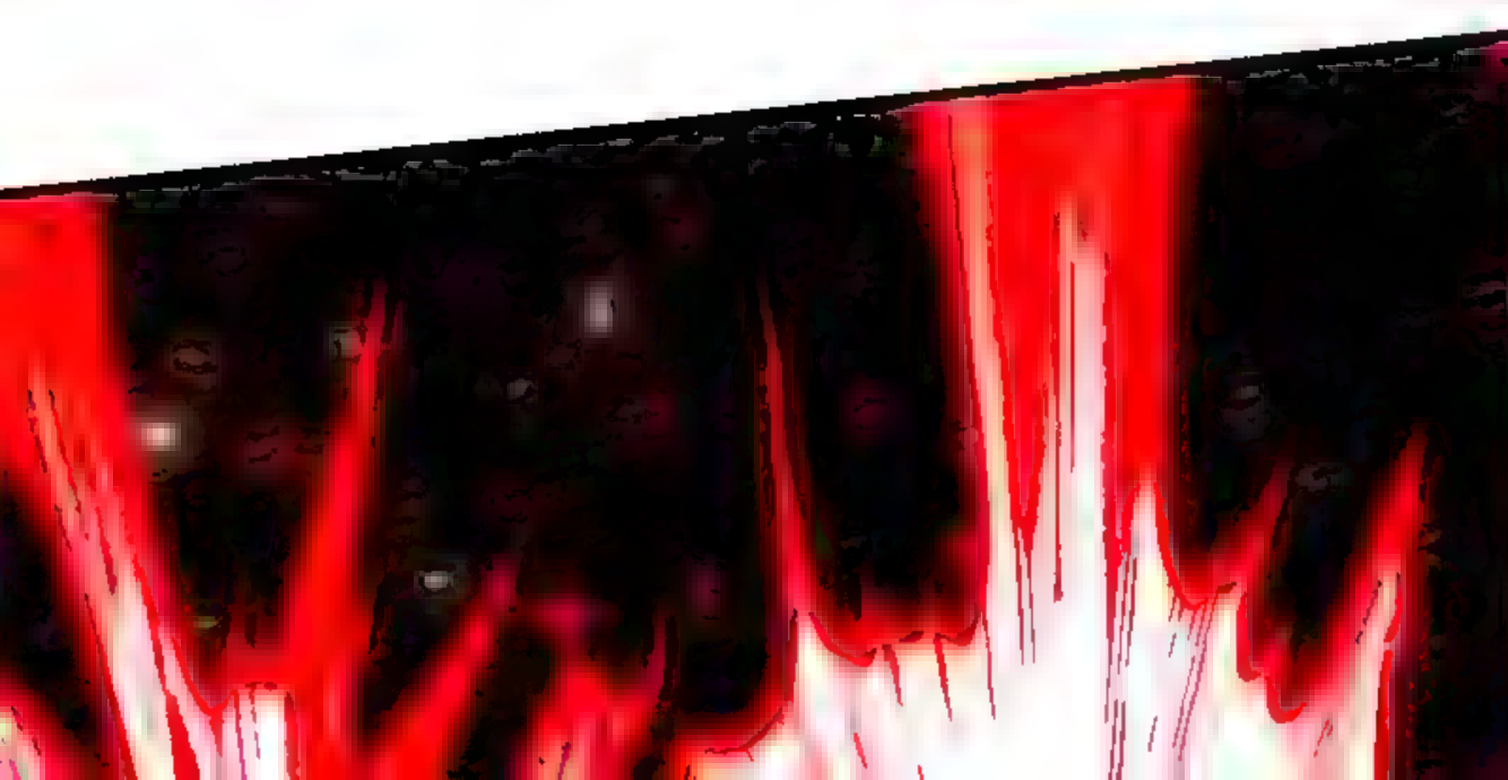
OH?!

THE ENERGY HE SIPHONED HAS BEEN RETURNED...
THAT MUST MEAN...

PEW



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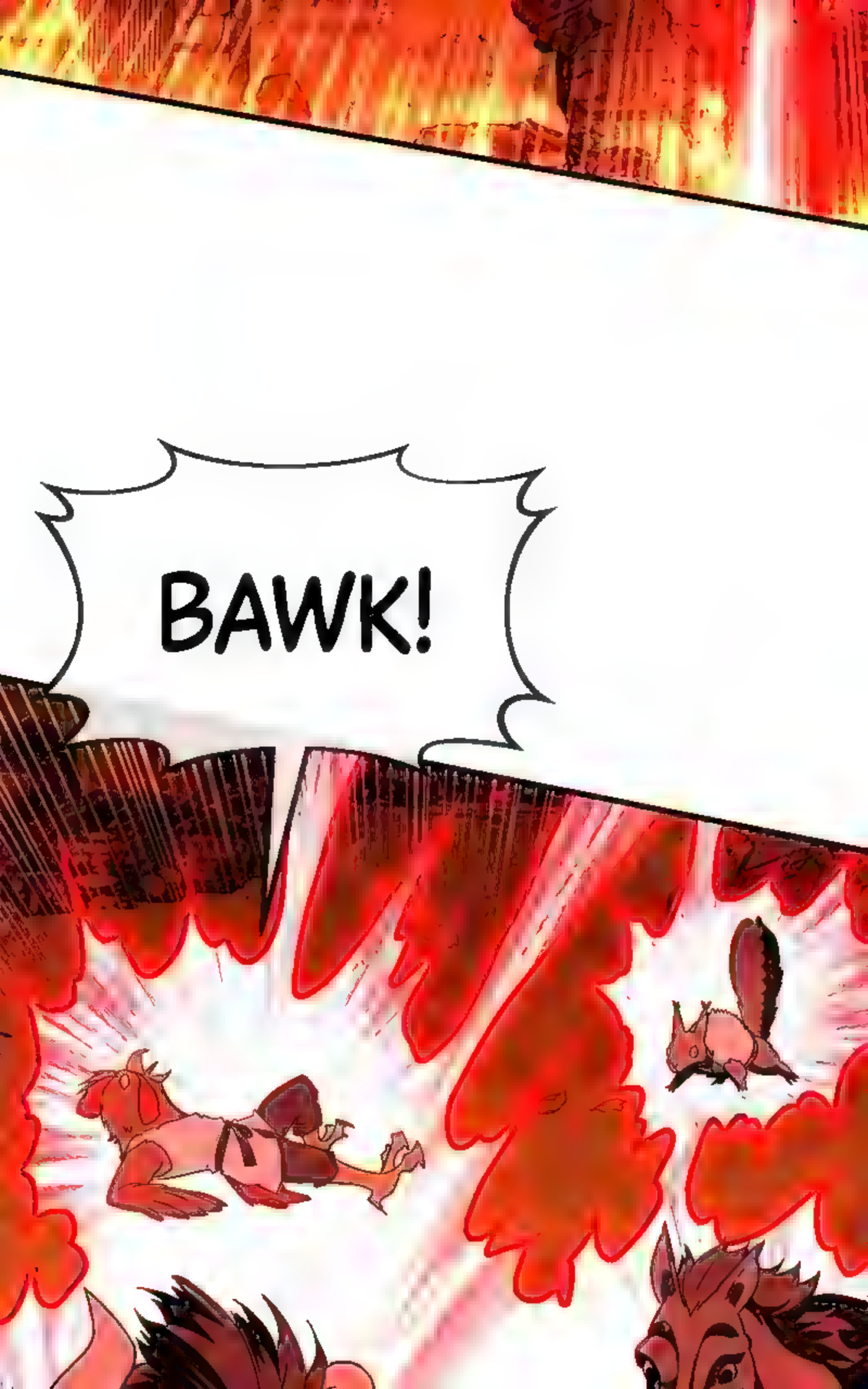
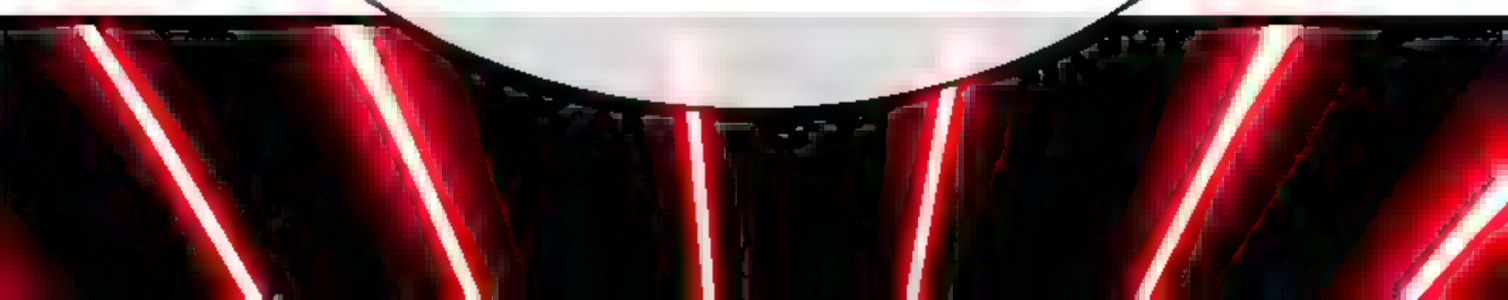
PEW

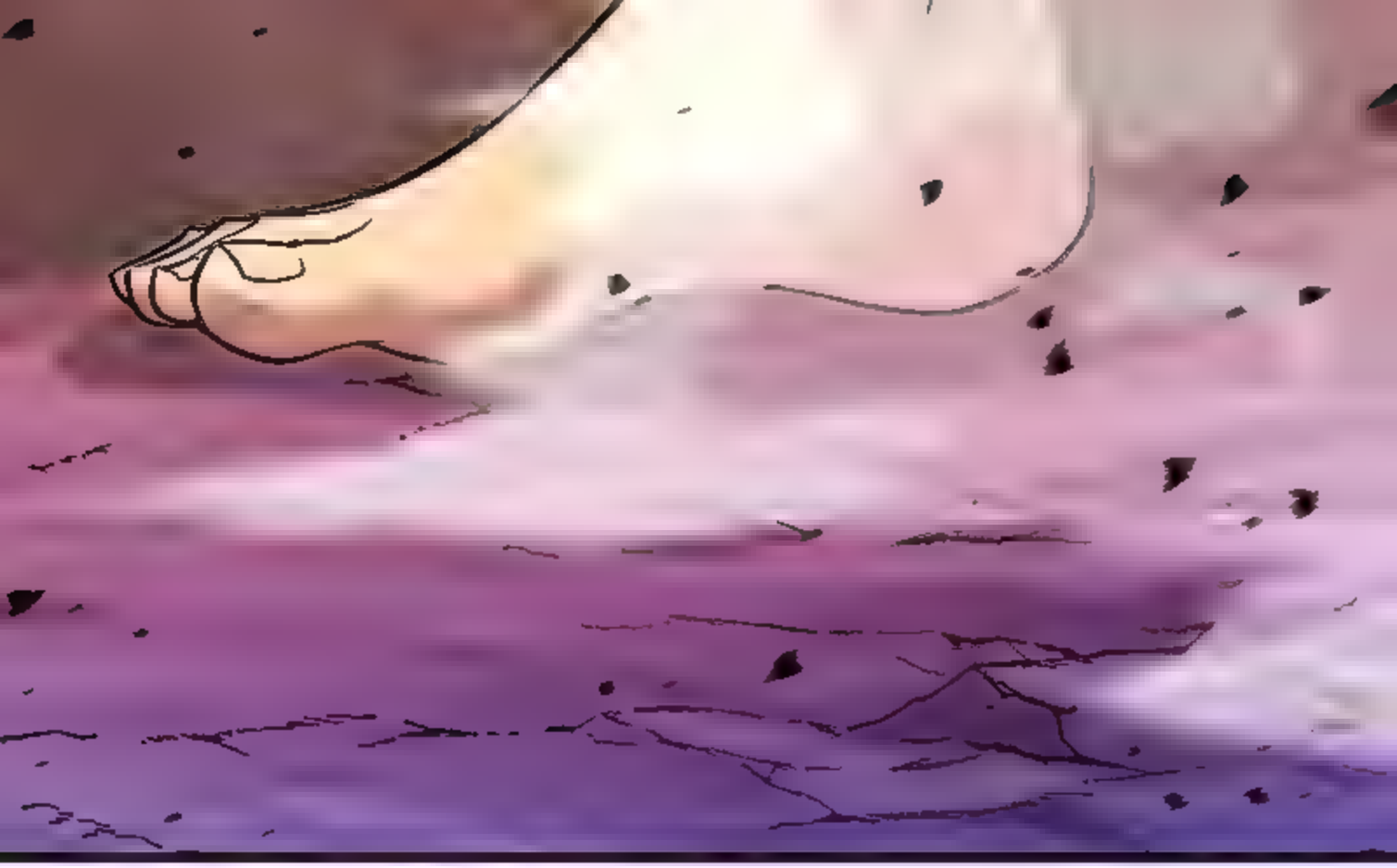

BAWK!

H-HOW IS THIS HAPPENING?

IT LOOKS LIKE...



...JISEOK HAS WON THE BATTLE!



SEE!

WHAT DID I TELL YOU?

KEKEKE!
THIS JERK CAN

REALLY TAKE A HIT, HUH?
HUFF
HUFF

DAMN IT...
I STORED UP
ALL OF THAT
ENERGY...

GIVE IT
BACK...!

WHY DID
I HAVE TO GET
CAUGHT UP WITH
A JERK LIKE
YOU...?

YOU...!

ARE YOU FOR REAL RIGHT NOW?! YOU PICKED A FIGHT WITH ME FIRST!

YOU'RE ACTING LIKE I FORCED YOU TO TRANSFORM INTO

THAT CREEPY DEMON FORM!

YOU'VE GOT SOME NERVE! YOU'D BETTER HAND ME THAT BADGE. I WON FAIR AND SQUARE.

YOU BONEHEAD. YOU ONLY GET YOUR BADGE ONCE YOU'VE ACTUALLY KILLED THE SUPREME.

PFFT, YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW THE BASICS. I CAN'T BELIEVE I LOST TO YOU...

OH,

IS THAT SO?
THEN, DIE!

...ACTUALLY,
I HAVE A
QUESTION.

WHAT'S
YOUR RELATIONSHIP
WITH EUNHA?

IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE YOU'RE EXACTLY THE BEST OF FRIENDS.

SO HOW DID YOU TWO END UP AS ALLIES?

...

IF I FIND OUT

THAT YOU'RE SOME CREEP WHO'S BEEN FORCING EUNHA TO DO THIS IRL...

HE'S

HE'S
MY OLDER
BROTHER.

???

YES, HE'S MY ACTUAL BROTHER IN REAL LIFE

IN REAL LIFE.

WH-WHAT?!

YOUR BROTHER?!

TURN

YEAH...
DO WE NOT
LOOK ALIKE?

B-BUT YOU
WERE TRYING TO
KILL EACH OTHER JUST

A FEW MOMENTS AGO! WHY WOULD YOU DO THAT TO A FAMILY MEMBER?!

OH...
I GUESS...
BUT STILL...
YEAH,
IT'S JUST
A GAME.
I SEE...

UGH, THIS HURTS SO BAD.

SO THIS IS EUNHA'S OLDER BROTHER?

MAN

MAN...
I BEAT THIS GUY BLOODY IN THIS FIGHT.

I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS IS MY FRIEND'S BROTHER...

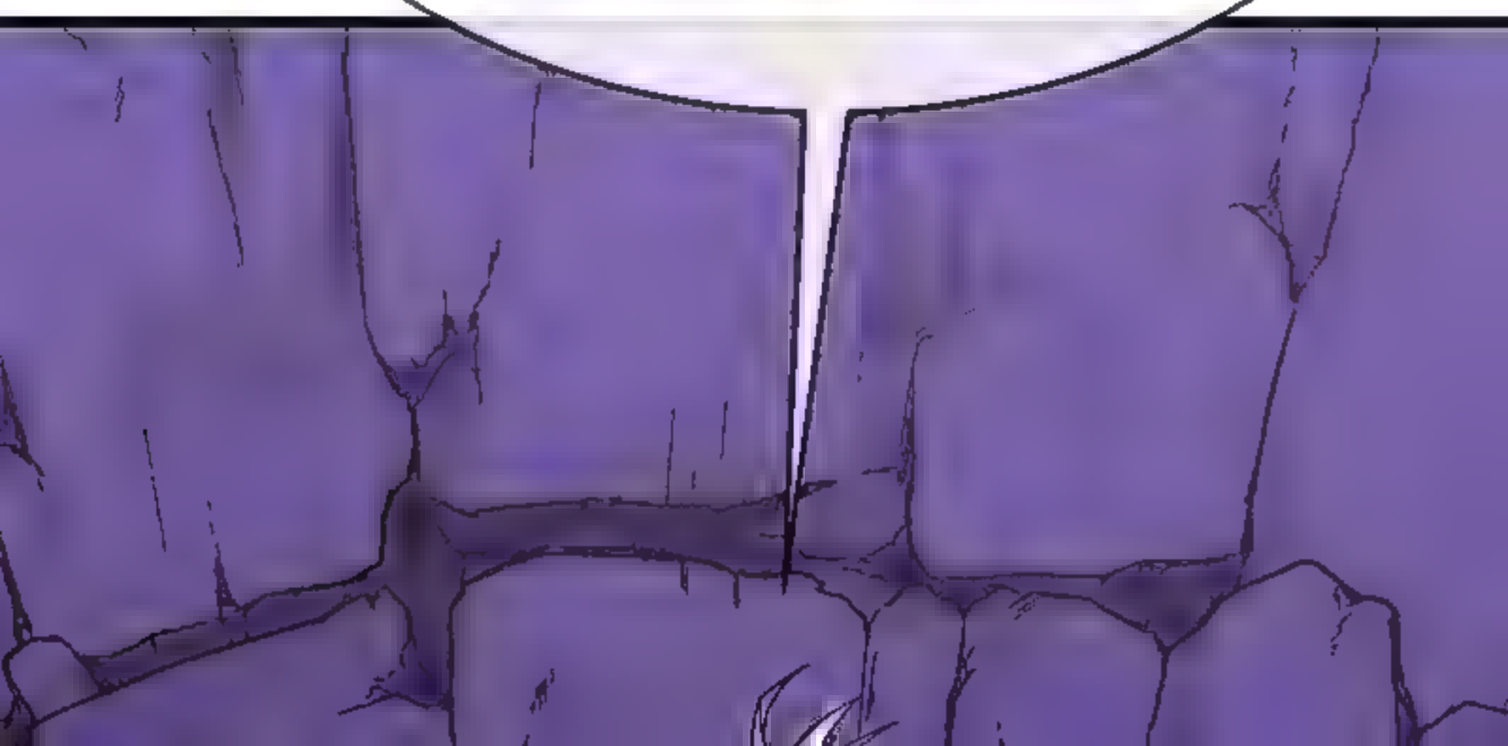
UHH...
DO I APOLOGIZE...?

HAHAHA... HEY, MAN... YOU ALRIGHT THERE...?
LET ME HELP YOU UP...
WAHAHAHA!

CUT THE NICE ACT.

UGH, WAY TO MAKE THINGS AWKWARD.

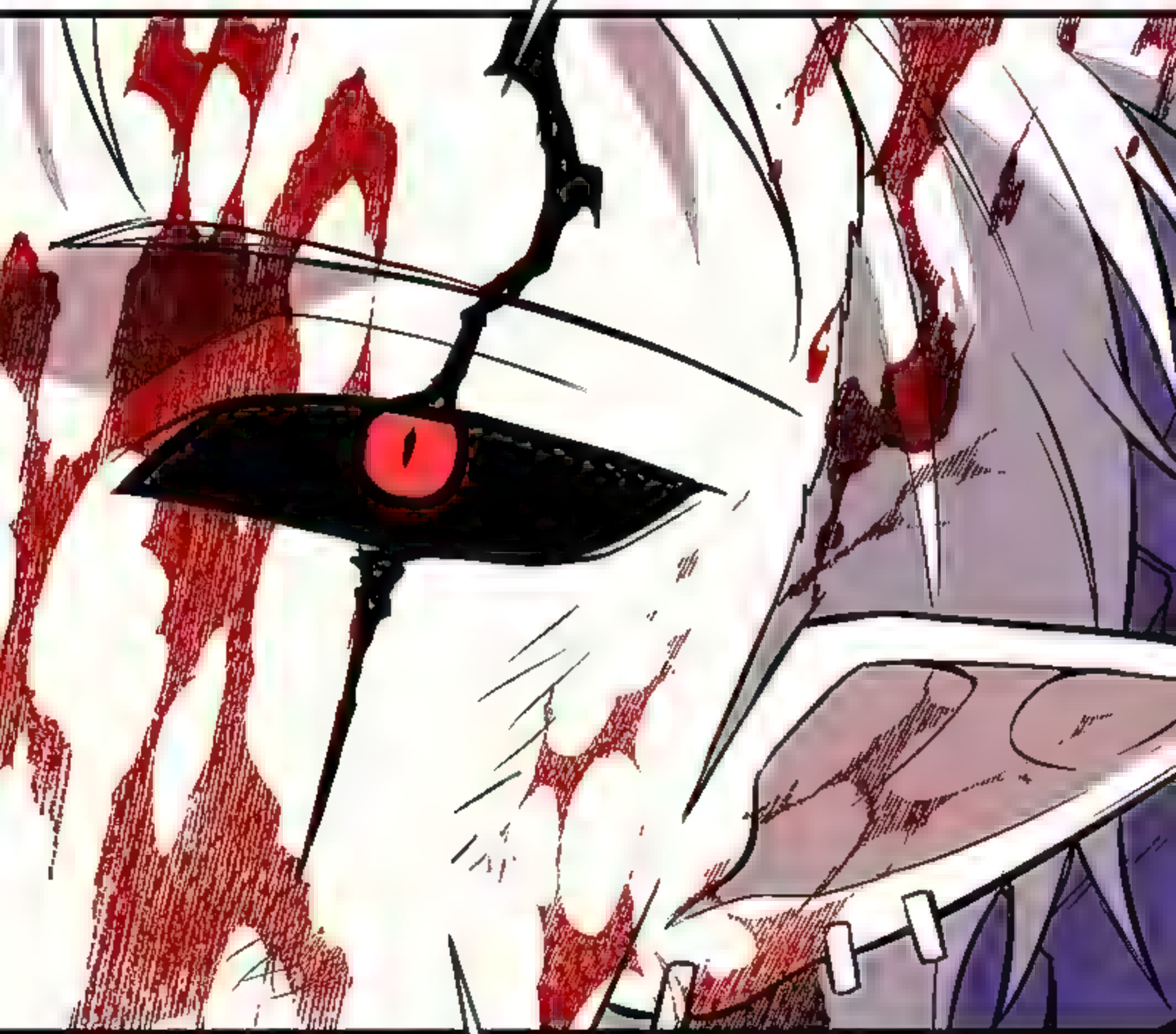
THIS IS WHY YOU SHOULD NEVER REVEAL WHO YOU ACTUALLY ARE IN-GAME.



YOU GOTTA
STAY ANONYMOUS

STAY ANONYMOUS
IF YOU TRULY WANNA
PLAY THE GAME
YOUR WAY.

ANYWAY,
SINCE IT'S COME
TO THIS...



...LET
ME ASK YOU

A FAVOR.

EUNHA'S ALWAYS WANTED TO PLAY THIS GAME WITH YOU.

SO LET
HER JOIN YOUR

SQUAD.

H-HEY!
WHAT'S GOTTEN

INTO YOU?!

WHY ARE YOU SUDDENLY TRYING TO BE NICE?! GO BACK TO THAT CRINGEY, MEAN PERSONA YOU ALWAYS PUT ON!

OH, WOW... *THAT'S* WHAT YOU THOUGHT OF ME?

QUIT WHINING. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU.

OR DO
YOU WANT TO

KEEP BEING BORED
BY PLAYING
WITH ME?

TWO WEEKS
AGO

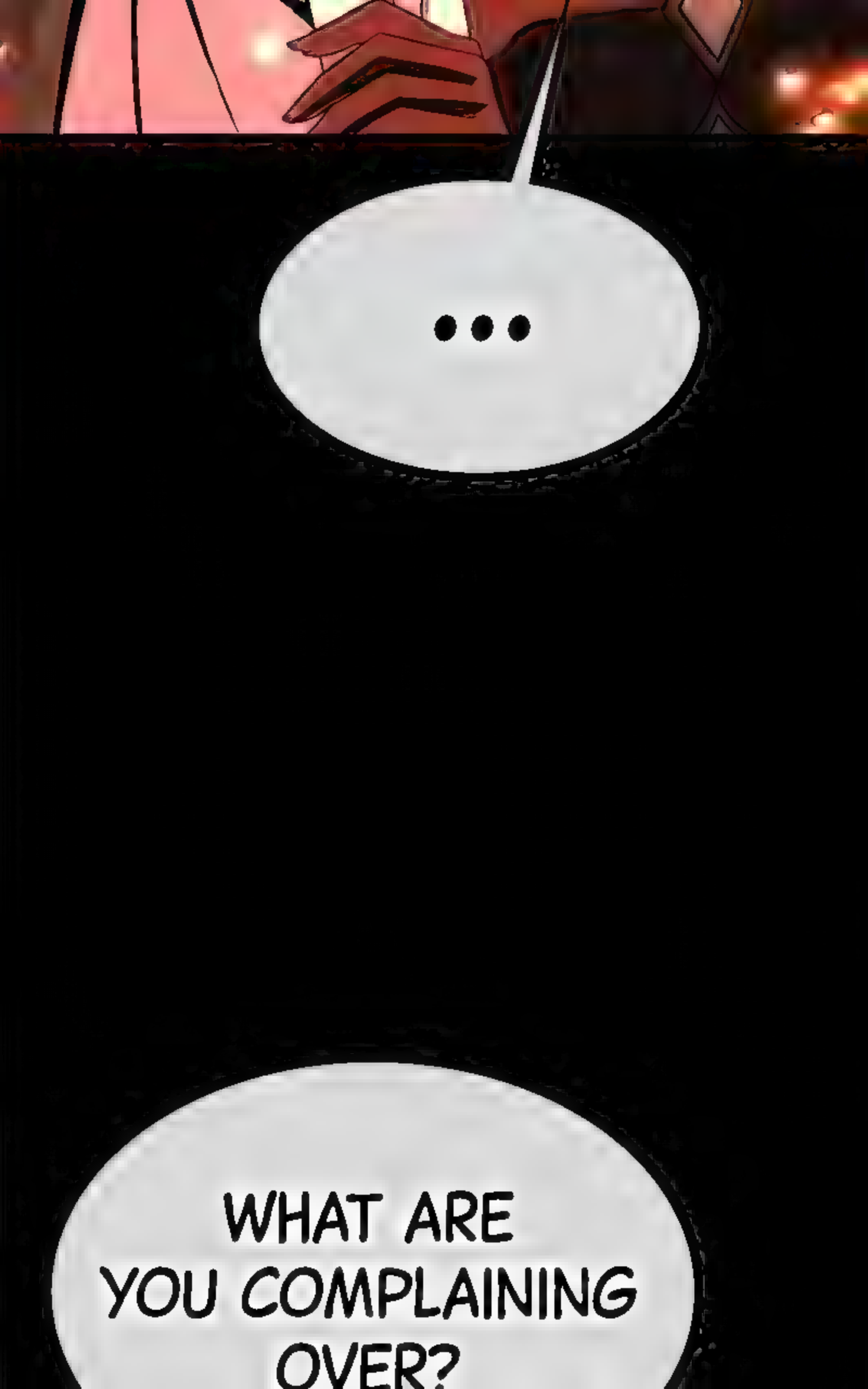
IT'S THE
SAME THING

EVERY DAY...

LIE, FIGHT,

KILL...

WELL, THAT'S HOW WE'RE SO STRONG.


...
WHAT ARE YOU COMPLAINING OVER?

WE'RE BOTH OVER LEVEL 900. WE'RE IN THE TOP 1 PERCENTILE OF THE GAME.
SIP

DO YOU THINK WE WOULD HAVE REACHED THIS LEVEL OF POWER IF WE DIDN'T COMMIT TO THIS ROUTINE?

ANYWAY GO AND LOG OUT. LET'S EAT DINNER.
HMM, MAYBE WE SHOULD HUNT DOWN A USER FOR OUR NEXT TARGET. IT'S BEEN A WHILE.

UJU...
ARE YOU ENJOYING PLAYING ANOTHER WORLD?

WHAT...?

WHAT'S GOTTEN INTO YOU TODAY?

OF COURSE I'M ENJOYING MYSELF. ALL WE'VE DONE IS WIN.

...I SEE.

ALRIGHT...

NOW
THAT I THINK
ABOUT IT...

...I'VE NEVER SEEN HER SMILE...

WHILE SHE WAS PLAYING THIS GAME WITH ME.

BUT WHEN
I WENT TO SCOPE
YOU OUT AT THE
PARTY...

...I NOTICED THAT ALL OF THE USERS,

MONSTERS...

...AND EVEN THE NPCS...

...WERE LAUGHING IN JOY TOGETHER.

MY IDEA OF HAVING FUN IN A GAME IS FIGHTING.

SO NONE OF THAT REALLY APPEALS TO ME.

BUT AS FOR EUNHA,

I THINK YOUR PLAYSTYLE MIGHT

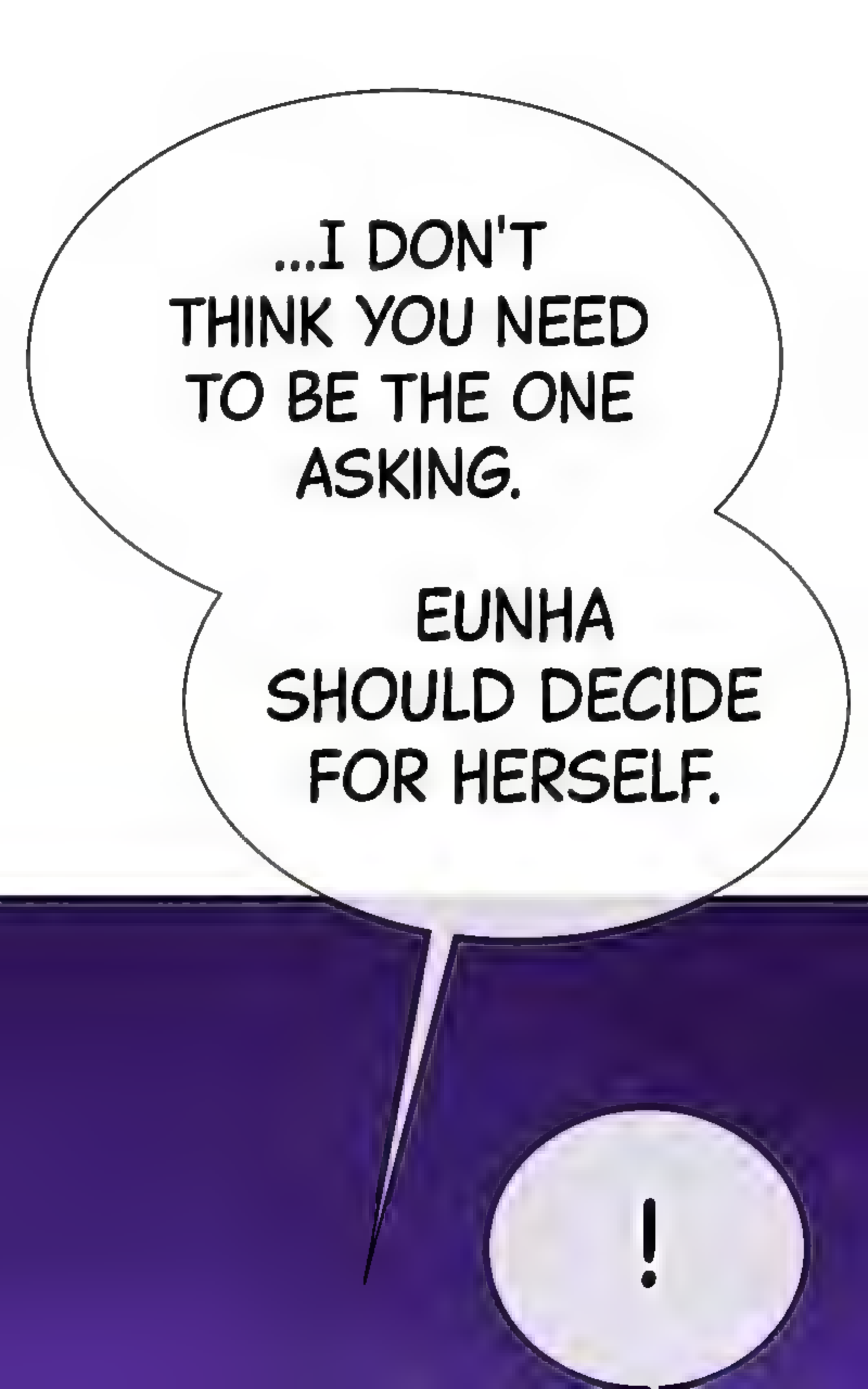
BE MORE UP
HER ALLEY.

UJU...

KING JISEOK, COULD YOU LET HER JOIN YOU?

WHAT DO
YOU THINK?

WELL...


...I DON'T THINK YOU NEED TO BE THE ONE ASKING.
EUNHA SHOULD DECIDE FOR HERSELF.
!

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WHAT DO YOU THINK, EUNHA?
HUH...?

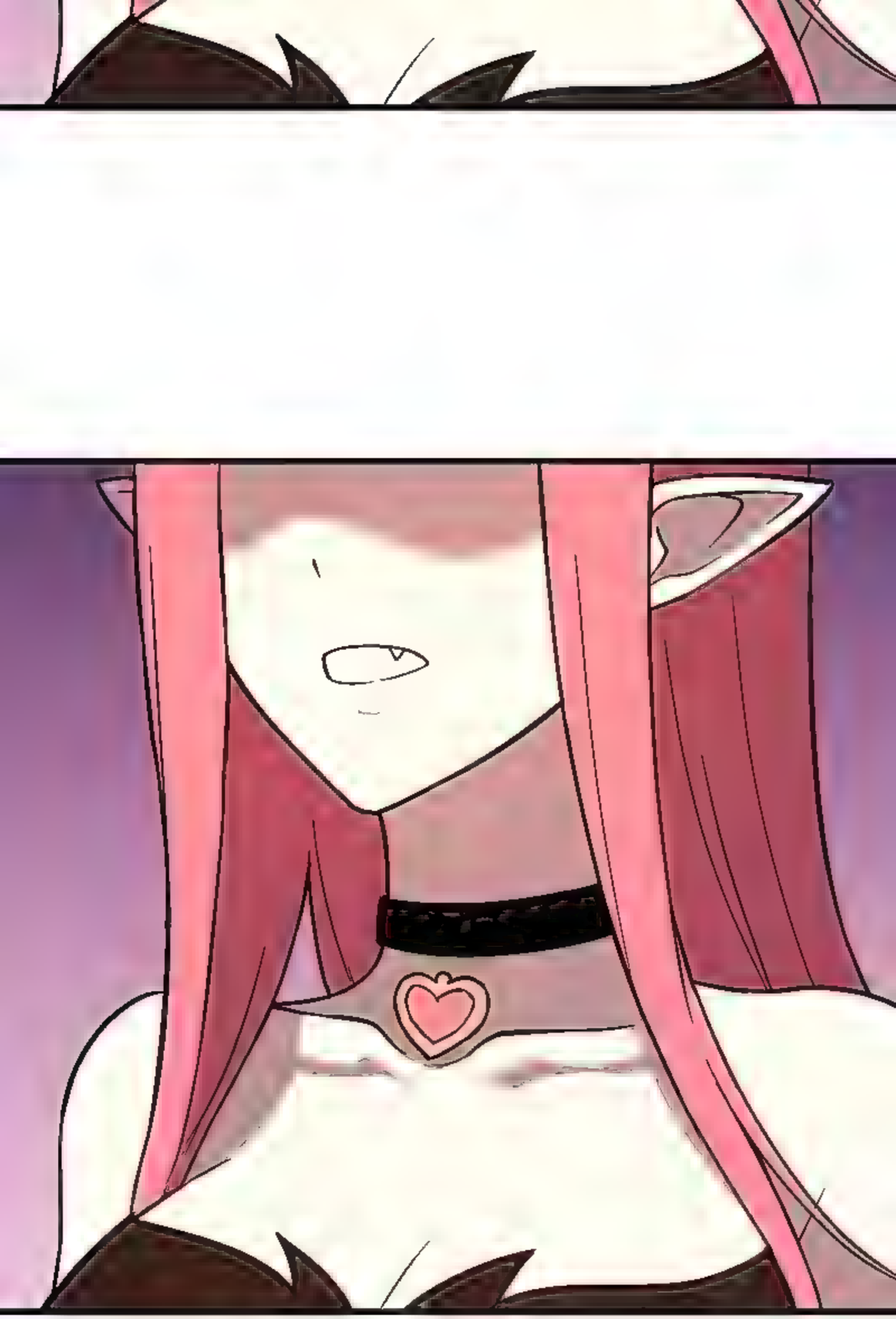
WHETHER
YOU WANT TO PLAY
ALONE OR EVEN QUIT...

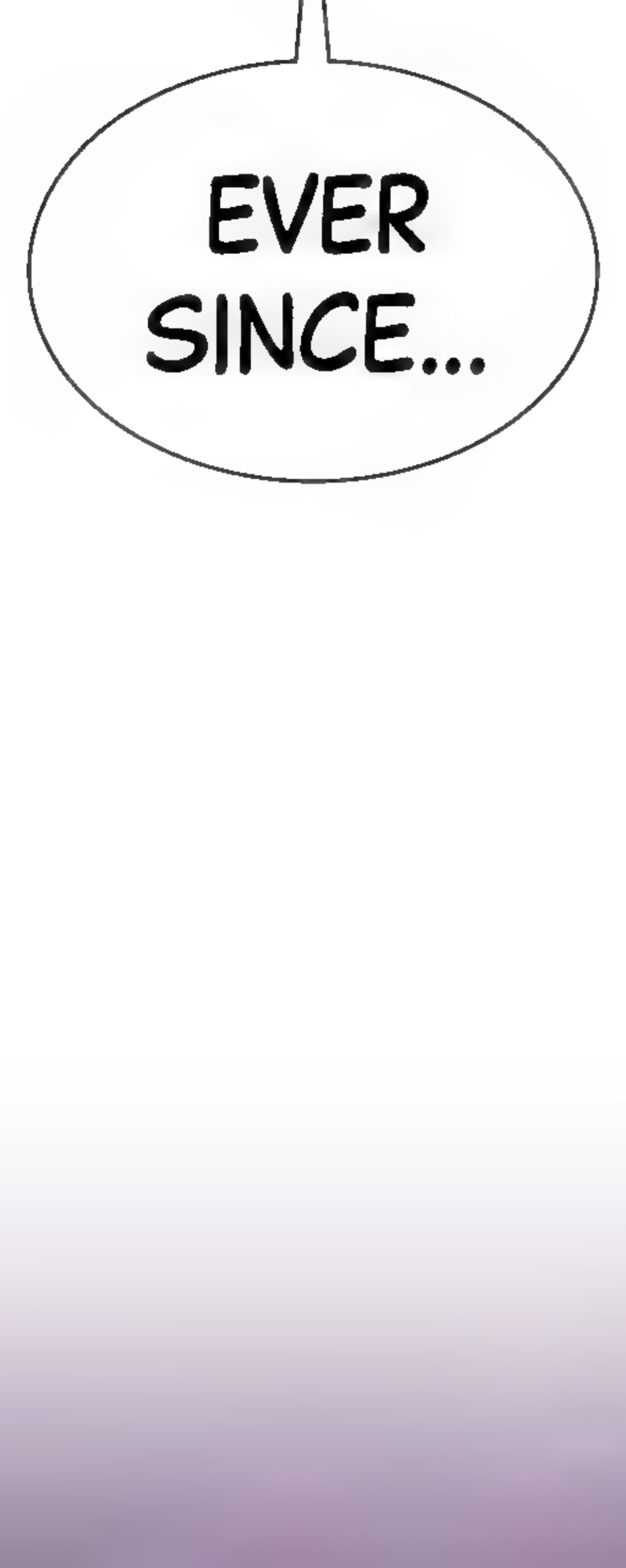
THAT'S ALL UP TO YOU.

BUT JUST KNOW THAT IF YOU EVER WANNA JOIN US,

YOU'RE ALWAYS WELCOME!
WOOF!

Work
A NEW, FRESH FACE!




EVER
SINCE...

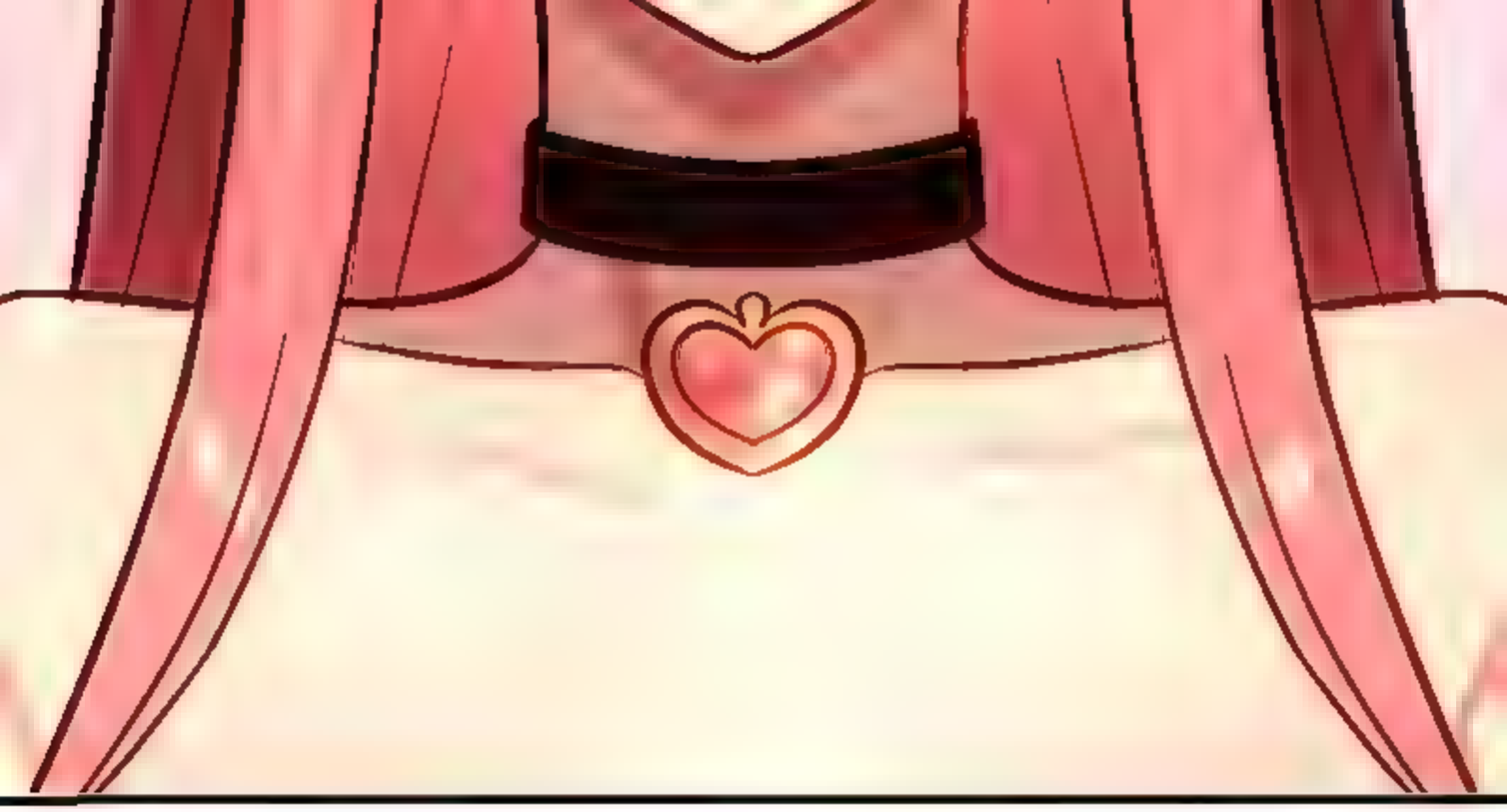
...I STARTED PLAYING ANOTHER WORLD...

...I'VE NEVER FELT...

...SUCH
EXCITEMENT LIKE
I DID TODAY.

I FEEL LIKE IF I JOINED YOU,

I'D BE ABLE TO EXPERIENCE EVEN MORE WONDERFUL THINGS IN ANOTHER WORLD.



JISEOK.

COULD I PLAY WITH YOU?

OF COURSE!

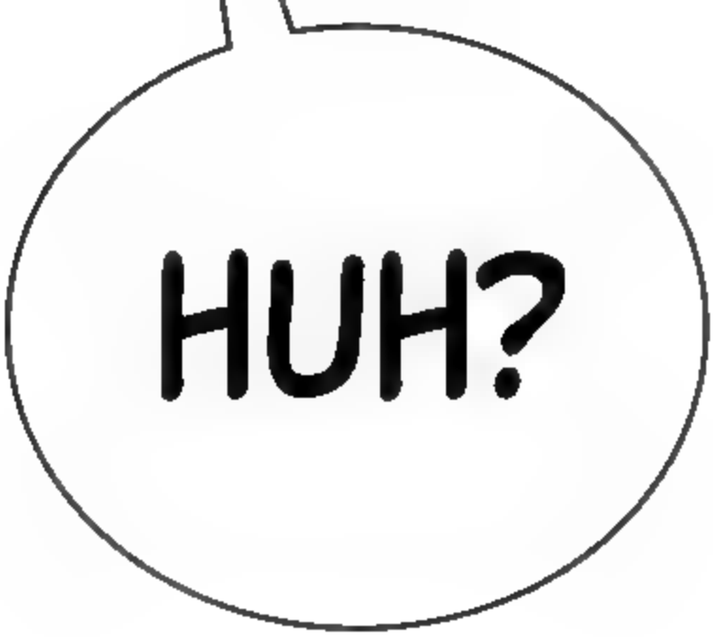
HAVE YOU EVER PLAYED BUILDING GAMES BEFORE?
BUILDING GAMES...?

PERFECT.

YOU CAN FINALLY ENJOY PLAYING ANOTHER

WORLD.

NOW THEN...
IT'S TIME FOR
ME TO ENJOY
MYSELF.


HUH?

KING JISEOK,
YOU DON'T EVEN
REALIZE...

...THAT YOU'VE GIVEN ME TOO MUCH TIME.

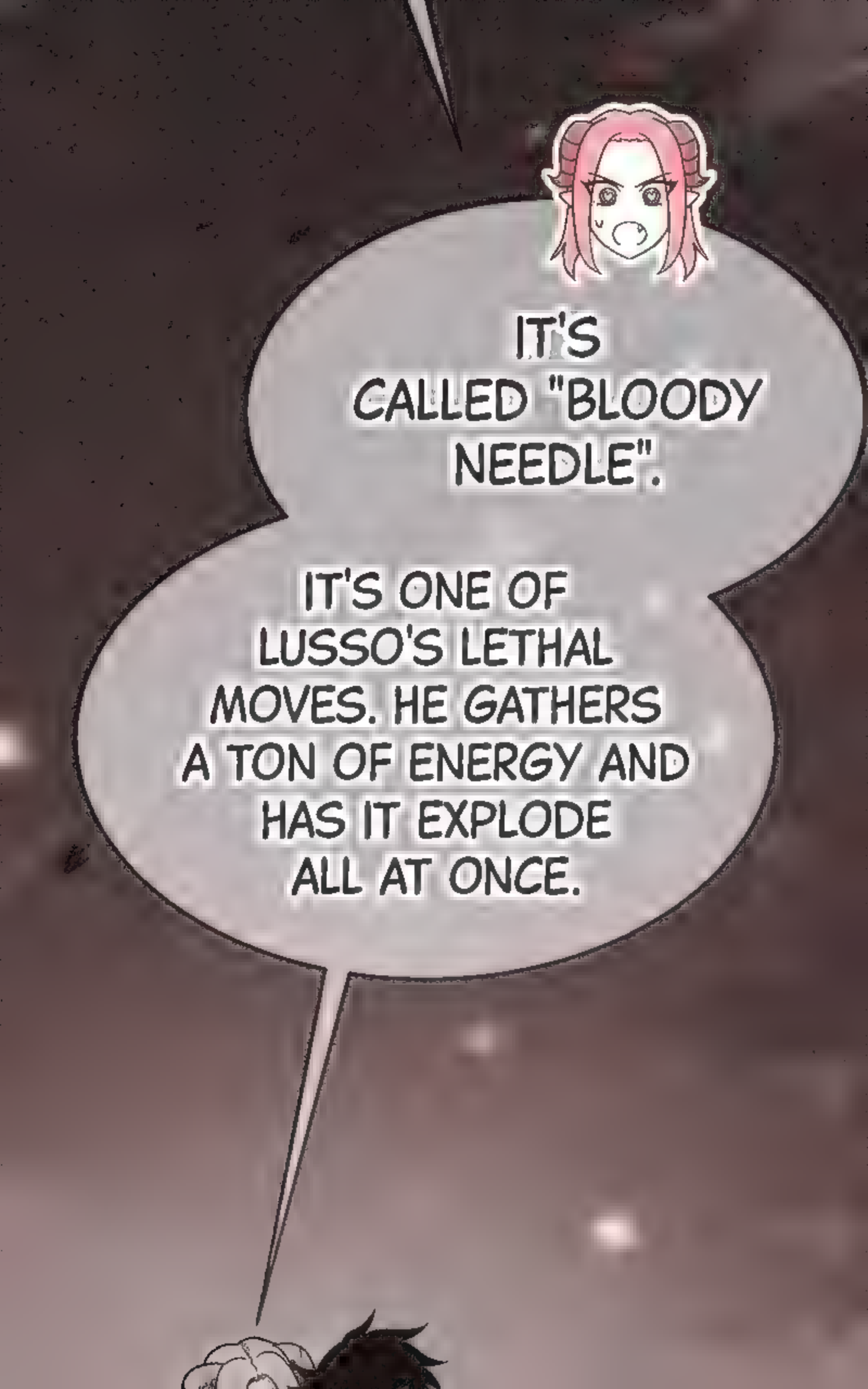
...EXCUSE ME?

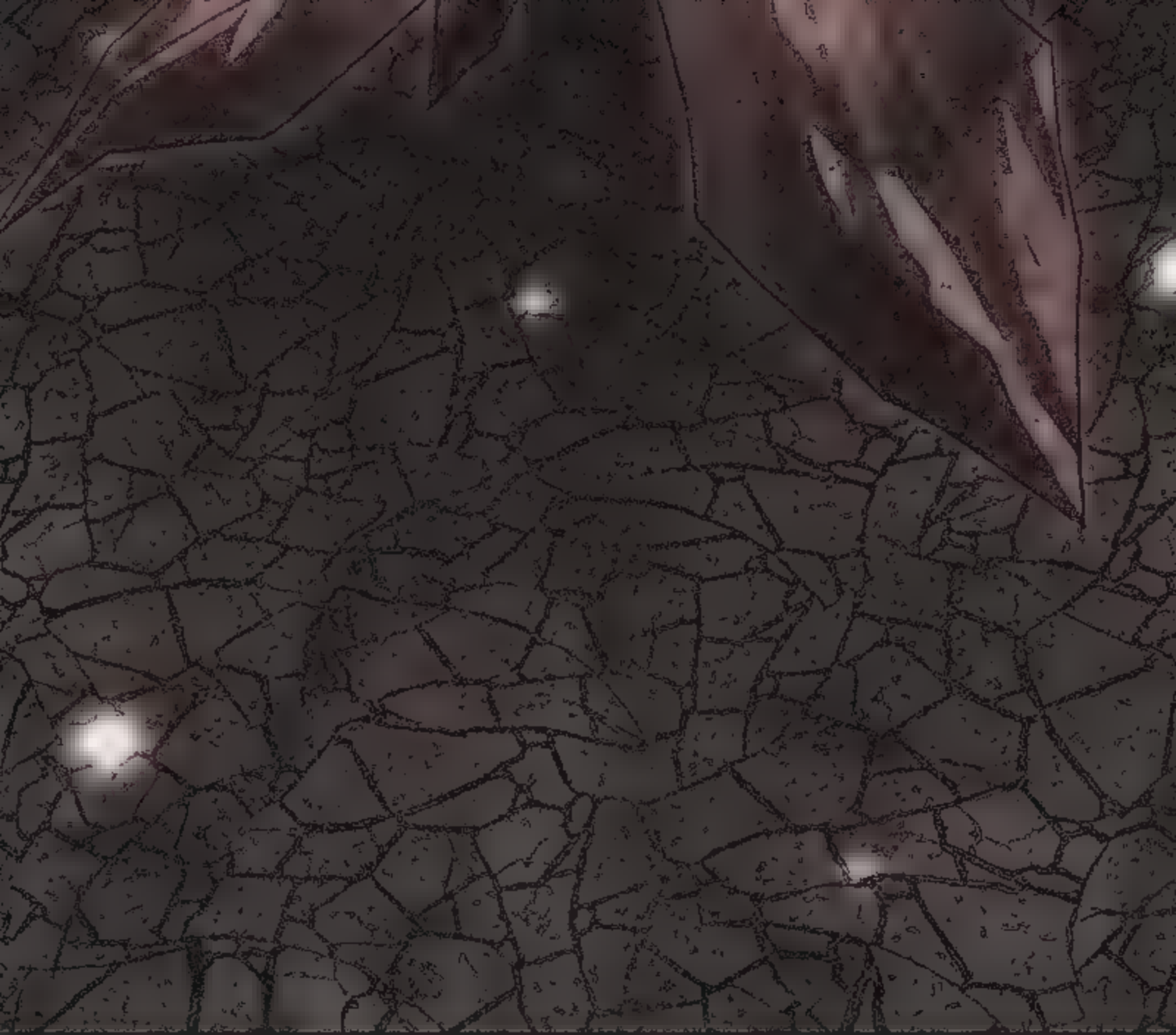
SHADES

OH, NO !

OH, NO....

WH-WHAT THE HECK WAS THAT SKILL JUST NOW?


IT'S CALLED "BLOODY NEEDLE".
IT'S ONE OF LUSSO'S LETHAL MOVES. HE GATHERS A TON OF ENERGY AND HAS IT EXPLODE ALL AT ONCE.



ITS ONLY FLAW
IS THAT IT TAKES
A WHILE FOR IT TO
CHARGE UP.

SO THAT'S WHY HE WAS YAPPING SO MUCH.

FAIR AND SQUARE, MY FOOT!

THIS
MAY NOT
BE MY FULL
POWER...

...BUT IT'S SURELY ENOUGH TO TIE YOU DOWN!

BLOODY
NEEDLE!

BOOM

BWAA
ENEMY SHIELD!

EEP?!
GRAAK

THIS IS
HOW I PLAY!

I WILL TURN THE TIDES!
AND RECLAIM MY ENERGY!

UJU...
I MEAN,
LUSSO!

DON'T YO

DARE HARM MY TEAM!

YOU HEARD

HER!

SMIRK

...SO
THAT'S HOW IT'S
GONNA BE?

DING

YOU'VE FOUND THE [BADGE OF THE BLOODSIPHON KING]!

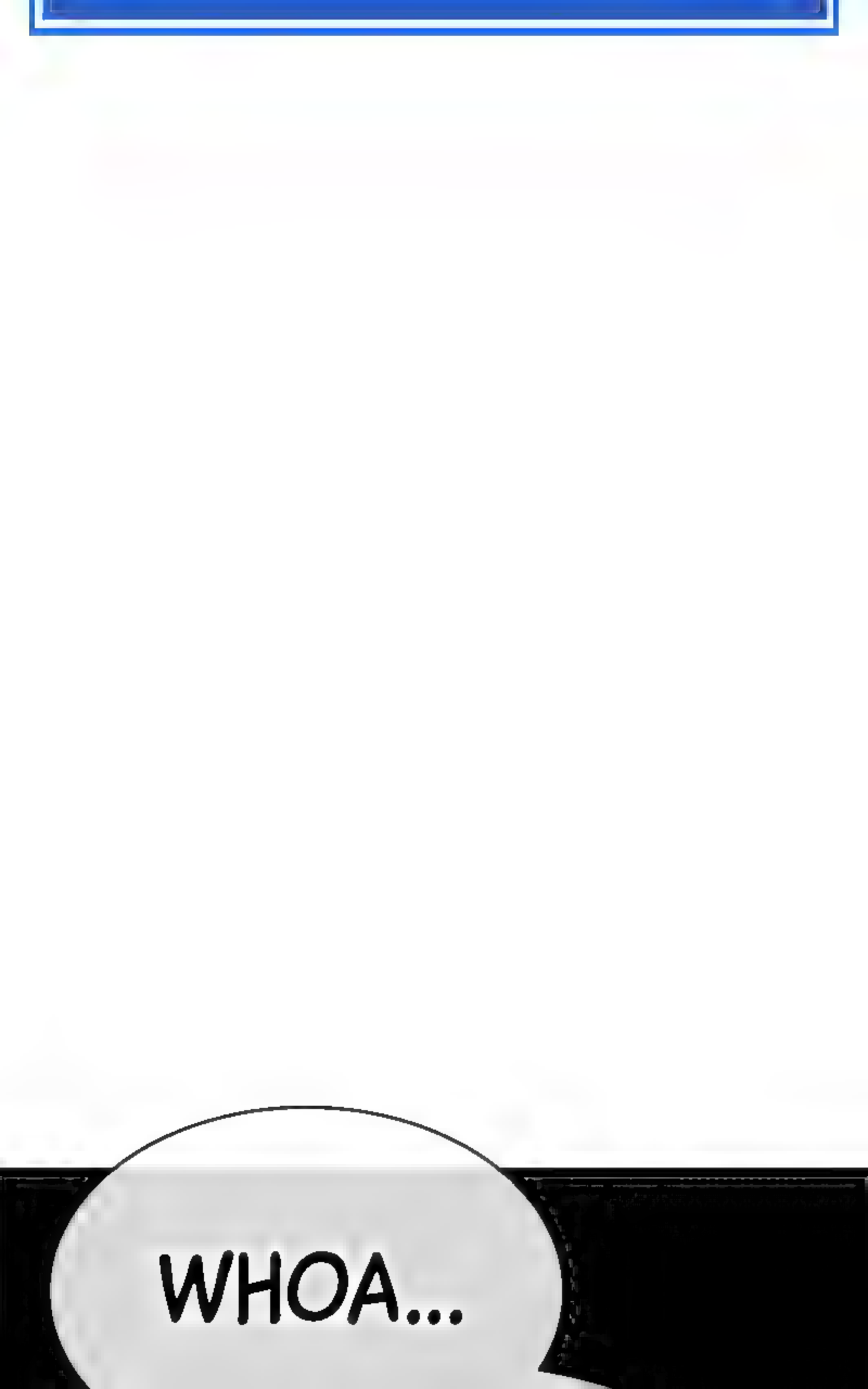
ENEMY

DEFEATED!

FLASH

[BADGES OF SOVEREIGNTY] COLLECTION UNLOCKED

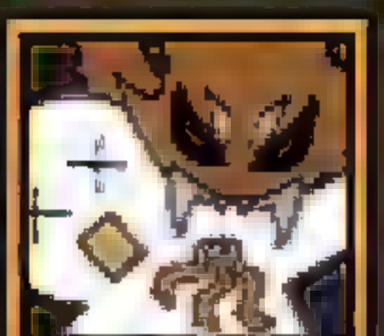
[2/6]


WHOA...

THIS FEELS DIFFERENT FROM WHEN I GOT THE MARTIAL ARTS KING BADGE!

[BADGE OF THE BLOODSIPHON KING]

YOU WILL GAIN THE STATS AND SKILLS OF THE BLOODSIPHON KING [LUSSO].



ABILITY
BLOODSIPHON BOG
IN BATTLE, YOU MAY ABSORB THE OPPONENT'S HP BY COMING INTO CONTACT WITH THEM.

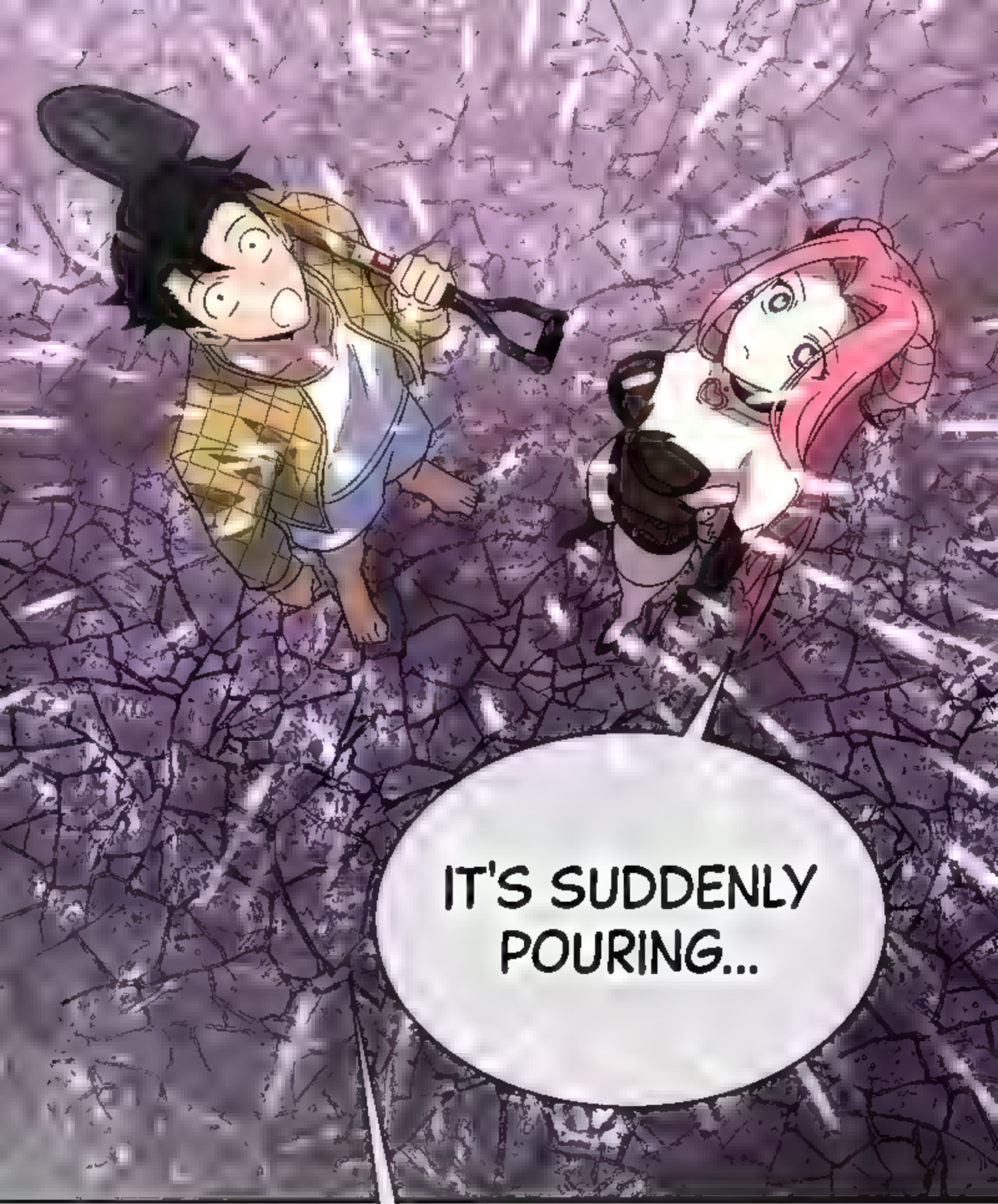
OOPS...
DIDN'T MEAN TO
SLAY YOUR BROTHER...
SORRY ABOUT
THAT...

IT'S FINE.
IT'S JUST A
GAME.

HE
GOT WHAT HE
DESERVED.

PLOP
HUH?

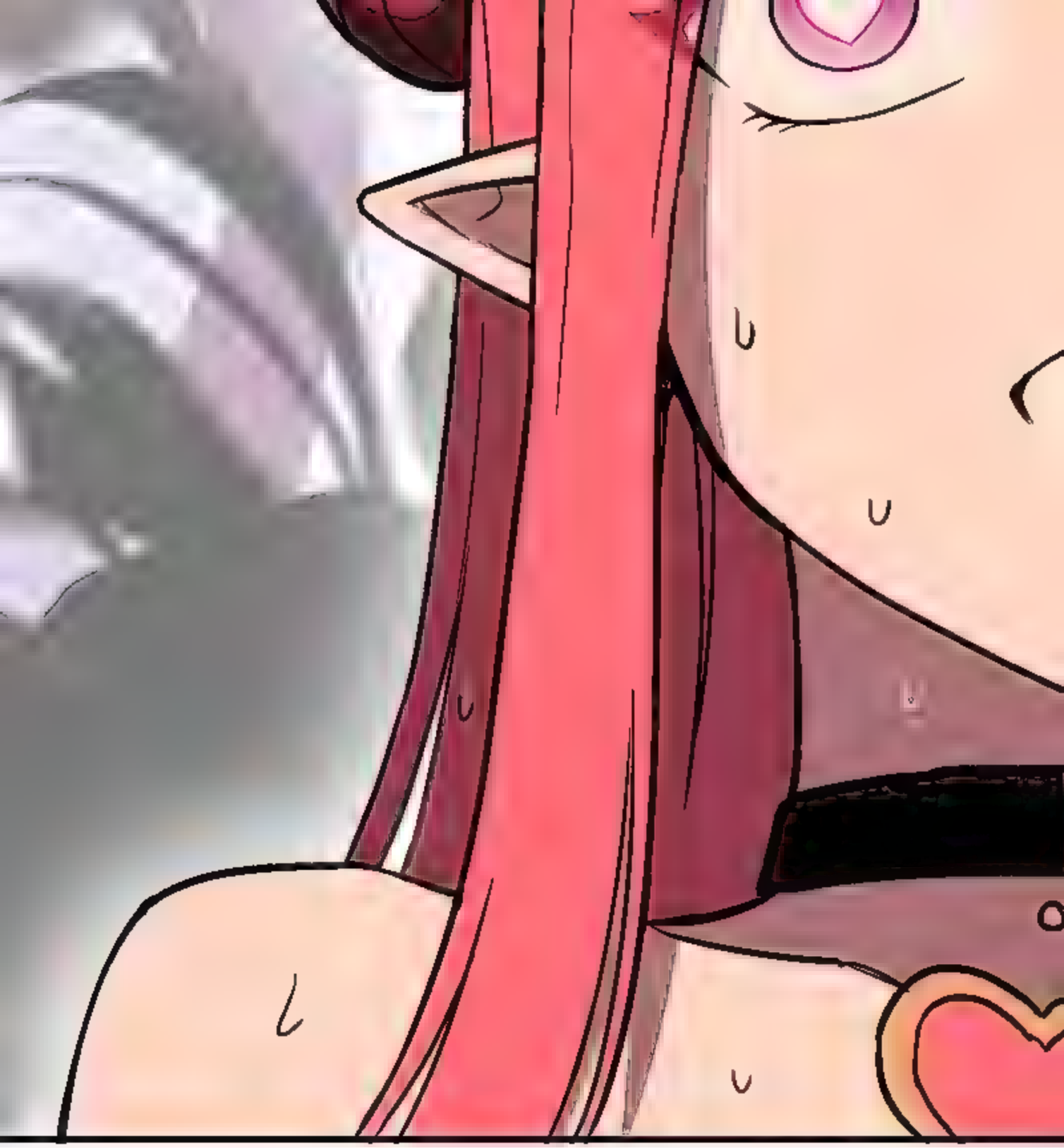
SHAAAA



THE RAIN FROM THE PLAZA MUST HAVE MOVED

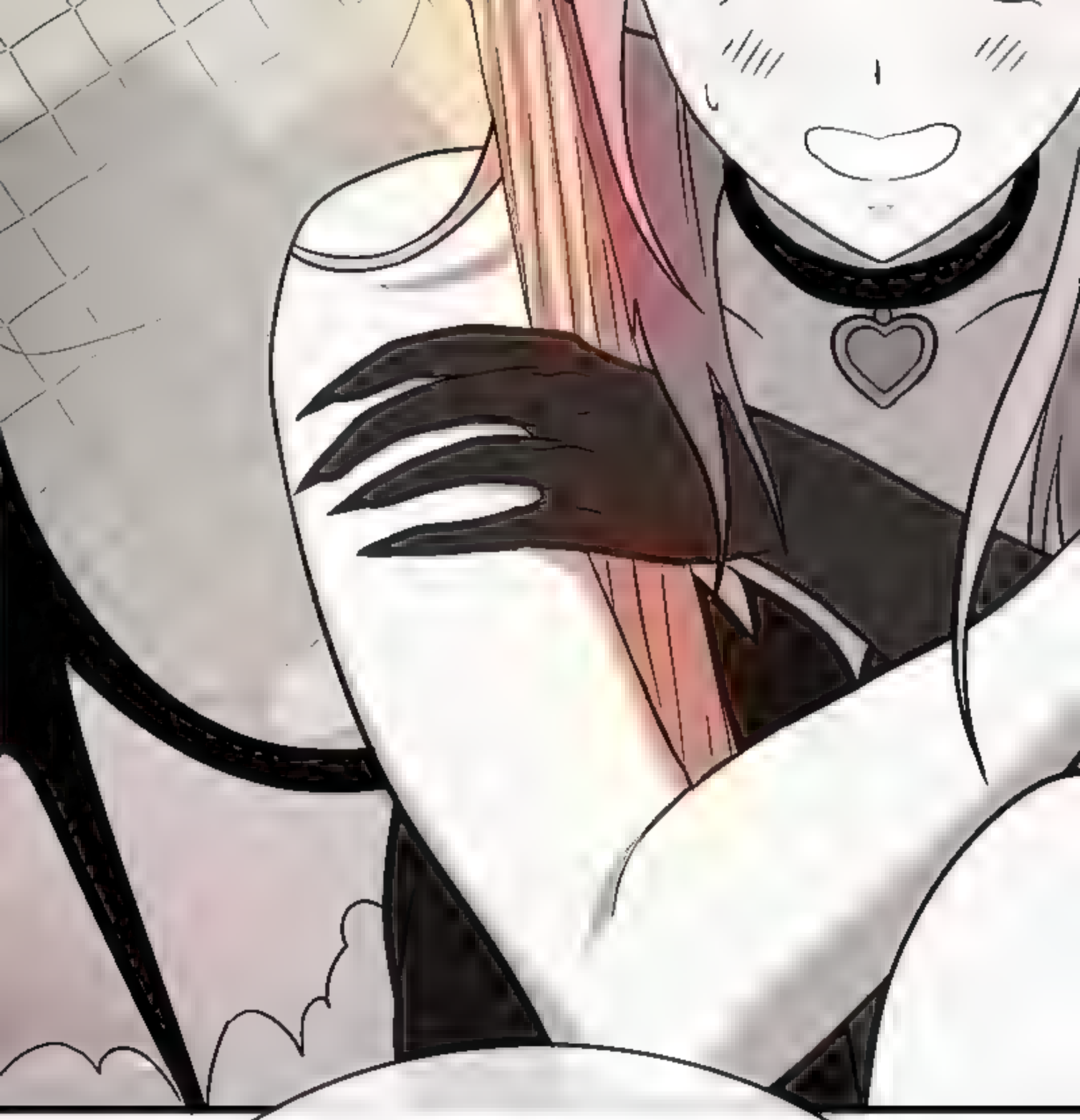
HERE.

THE RAIN FROM THE PLAZA...?

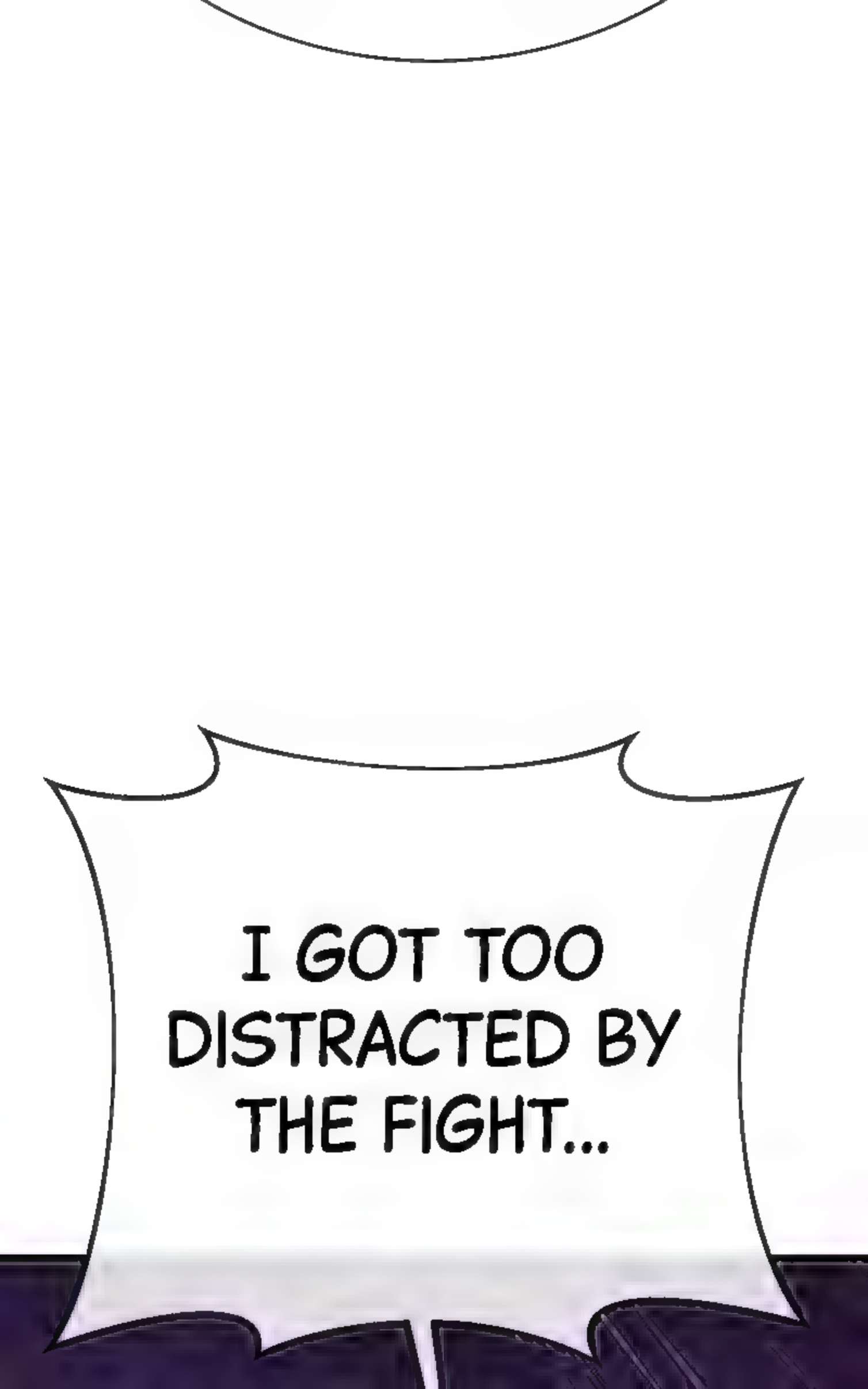


EEP!
OH, NO!

THE UMBRELLA I STOLE AT THE PLAZA!



WH-WHERE DID IT GO?


I GOT TOO DISTRACTED BY THE FIGHT...

I-I'LL FIND IT RIGHT AWAY!

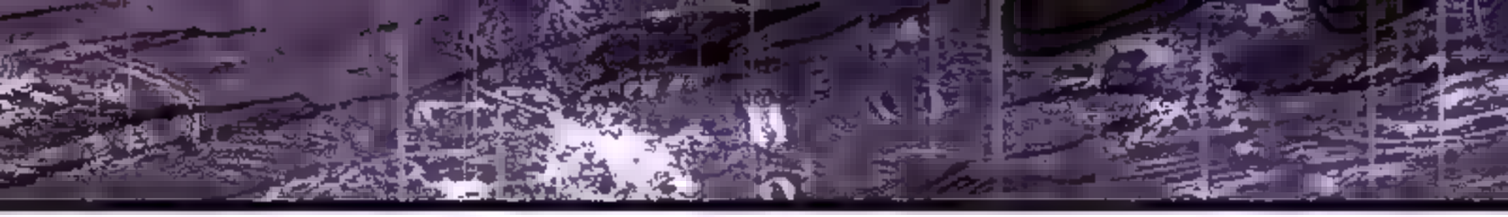
SEASON

SHAA

AAA

N-NOOOO!

OH, NO...
IT MUST'VE GOTTEN CAUGHT IN THE CROSSFIRE OF THE BATTLE...
IT'S ALREADY BAD ENOUGH I STOLE IT... BUT NOW IT'S ALL RUINED BECAUSE OF ME...



WHO AM I TO SCOLD MY BROTHER?

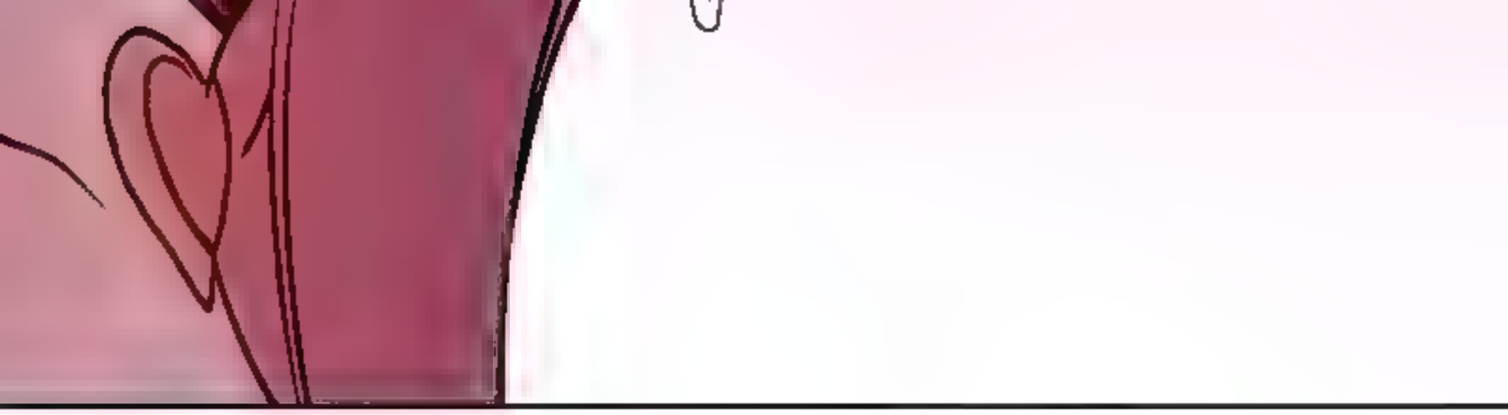
I'M A MEAN, NASTY VILLAIN

TOO...
SNIFFLE

I'M SORRY, JISEOK...

SNIFFLE

STEP



IT'S FINE.

I CAN ALWAYS...

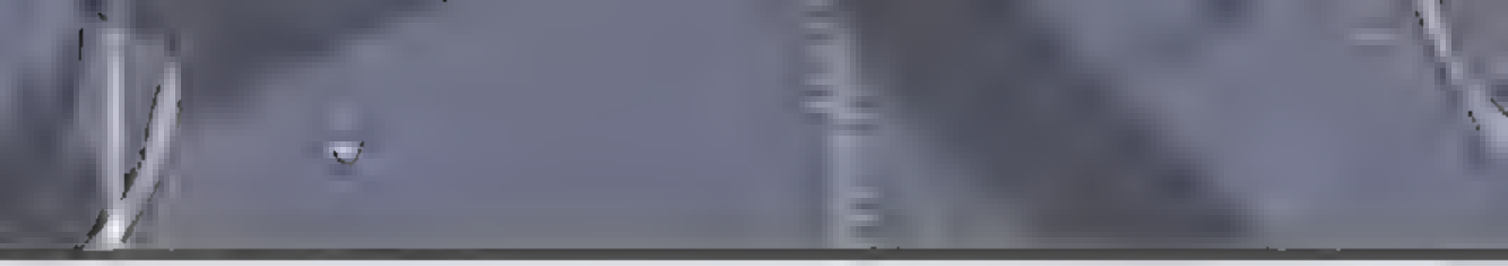
...MAKE
ANOTHER
UMBRELLA!

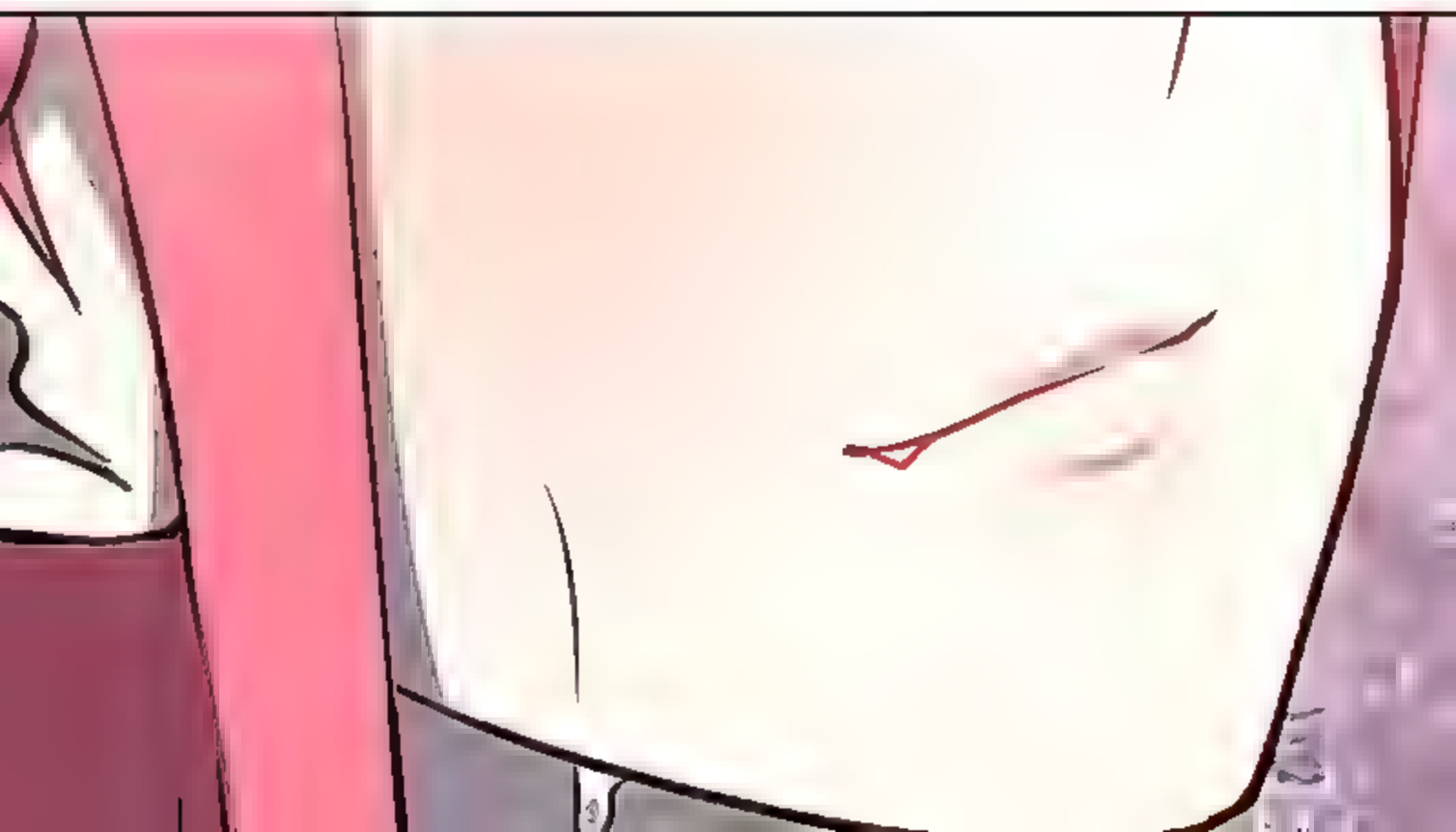
THIS IS MY SPECIALTY!

HERE.

A GIFT TO COMMEMORATE YOU JOINING US.

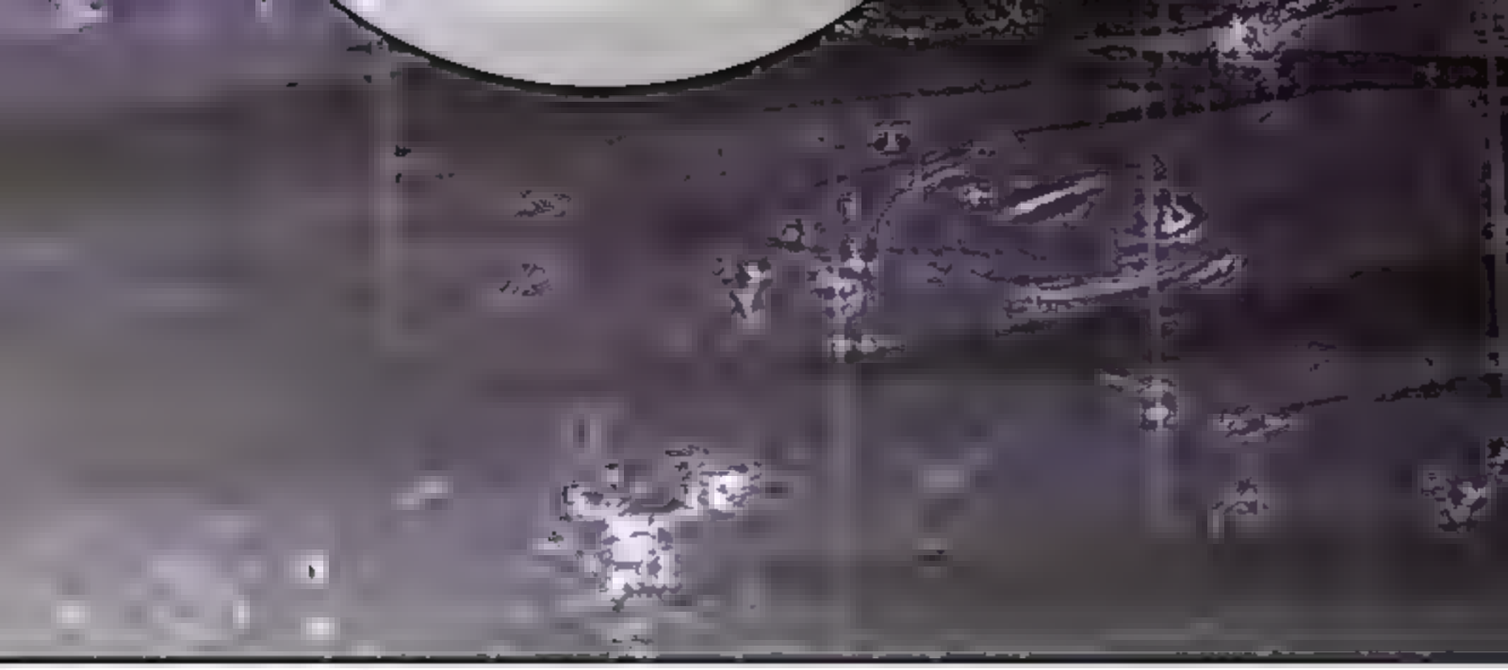
GETTING SOAKED IN THE RAIN WOULD ONLY MAKE YOUR DAY WORSE.





...JISEOK!

AGH!
YOU'RE SO
COLD!



A FEW DAYS LATER

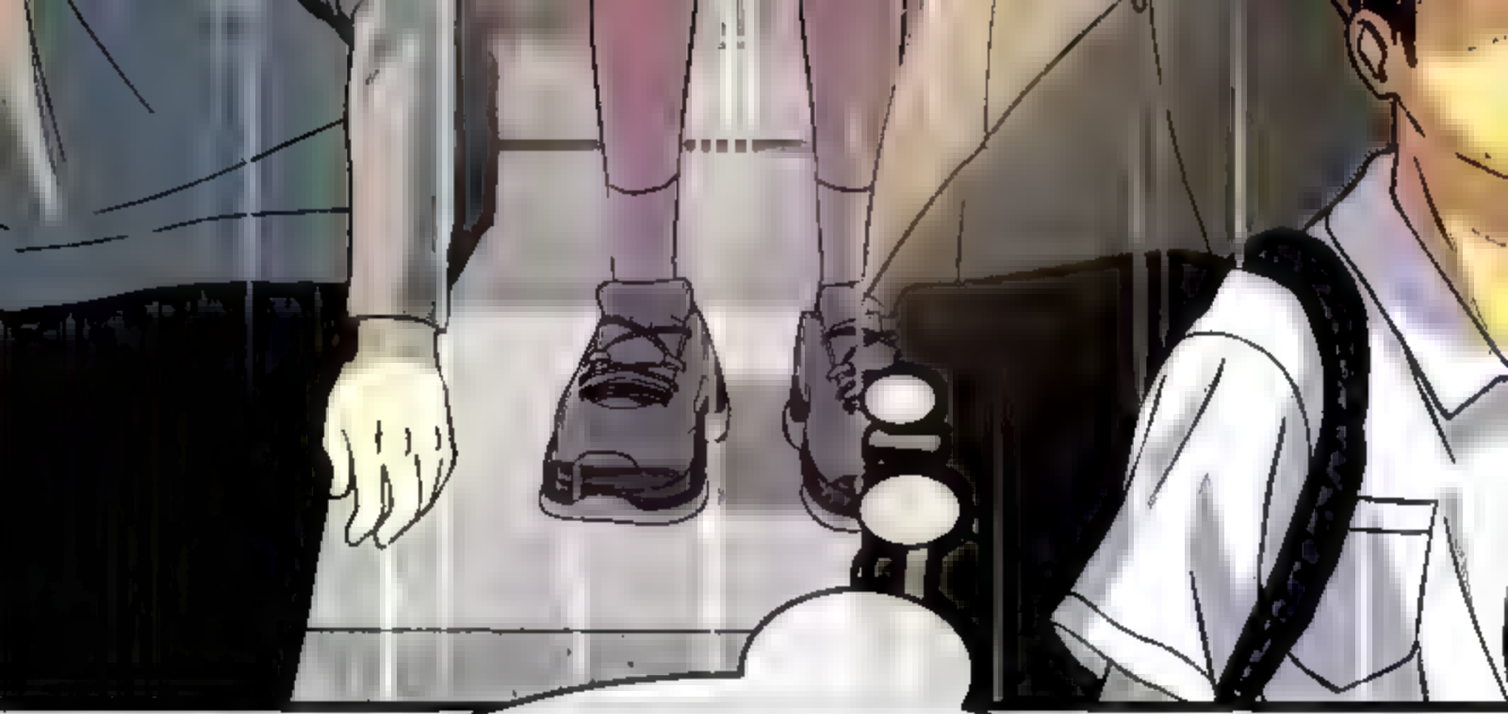
IN A *GOSHIWON* NEIGHBORHOOD, SOMEWHERE IN SEOUL, KOREA

SHAAA

OH...

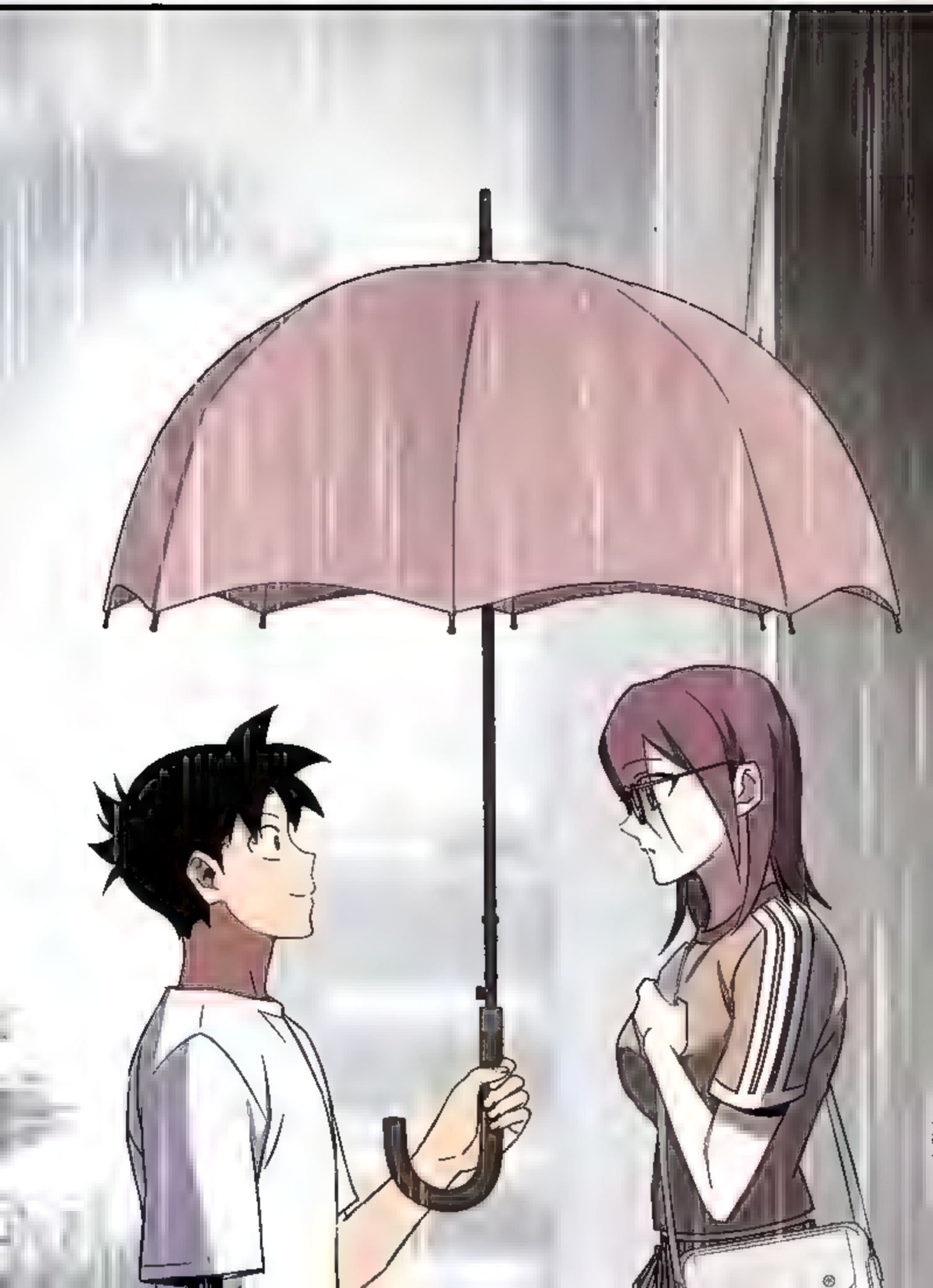
IT'S RAINING
PRETTY HARD.

Exam Tutoring



I DIDN'T BRING MY UMBRELLA...

LEAN
!!!



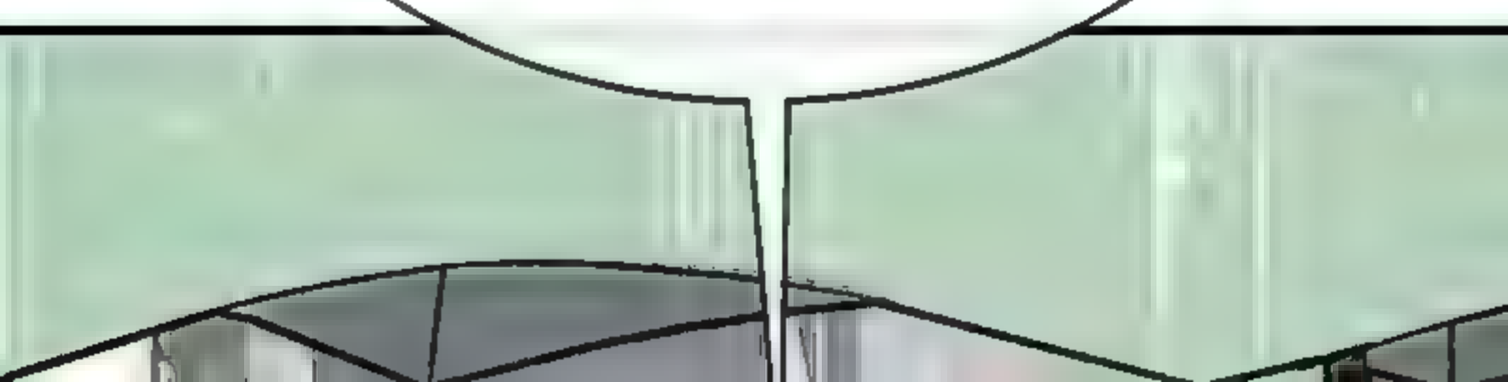
SHOULD WE
GET GOING?

...YEAH!

HEY! JISEOK!
EUNHA!

PERFECT TIMING.
LET'S GRAB DINNER
TONIGHT!

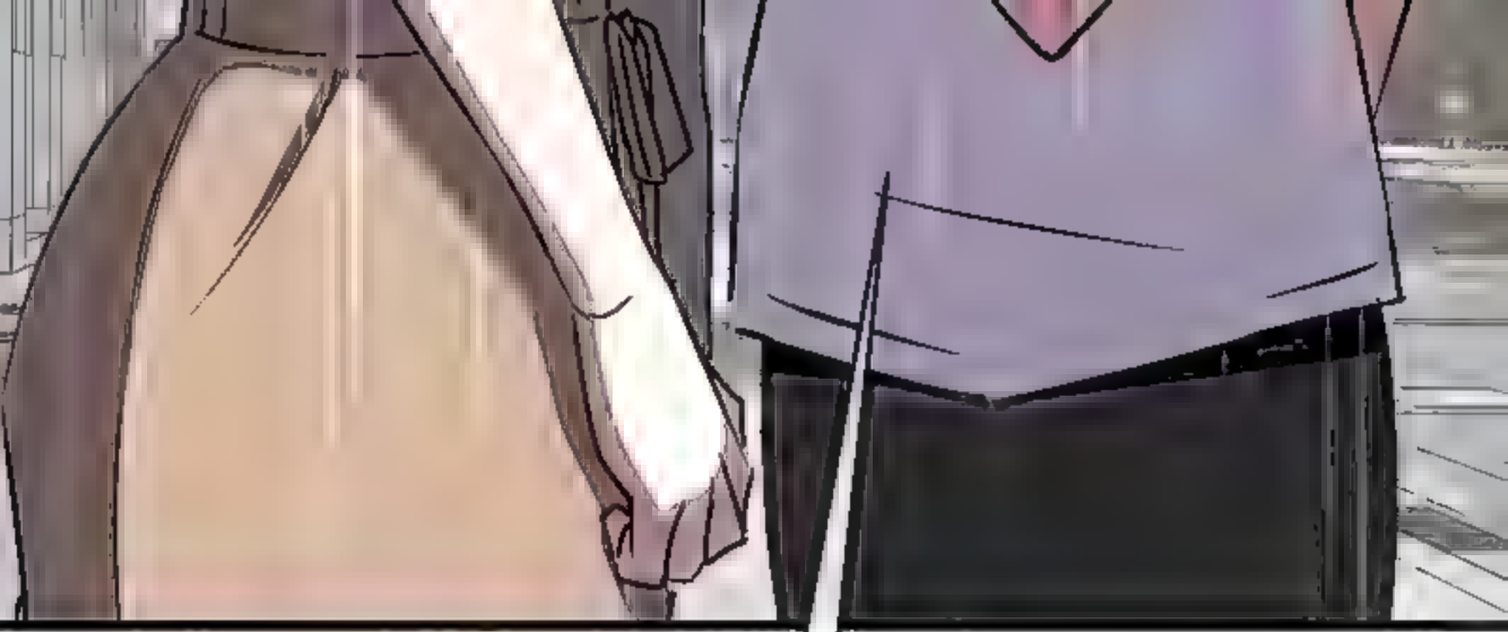
THIS RAINY WEATHER IS PERFECT FOR GRABBING A FEW DRINKS. IT'LL BE MY TREAT!



SORRY,

MAN.

WE'VE GOT PLANS TO GAME TONIGHT.



NEXT TIME!

LATER, JUN-HYEON.
B-BYE...

OH... UHH,
SURE...

I'M CONFUSED...
SINCE WHEN DOES
JISEOK SAY NO TO
FREE DRINKS AND
A MEAL?

ALSO, THEY PLAY GAMES TOGETHER? I HAD NO IDEA THEY WERE THAT CLOSE...

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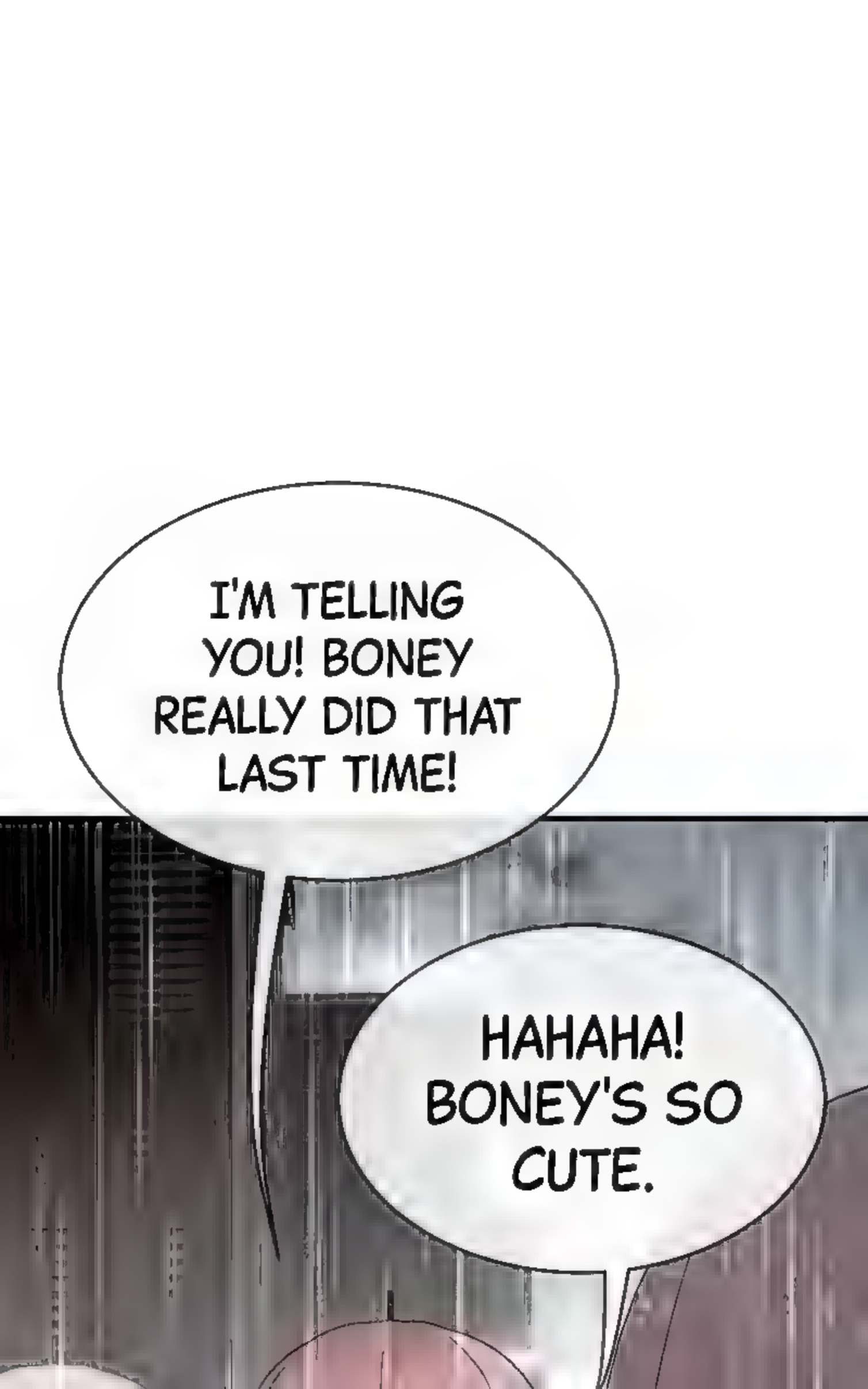
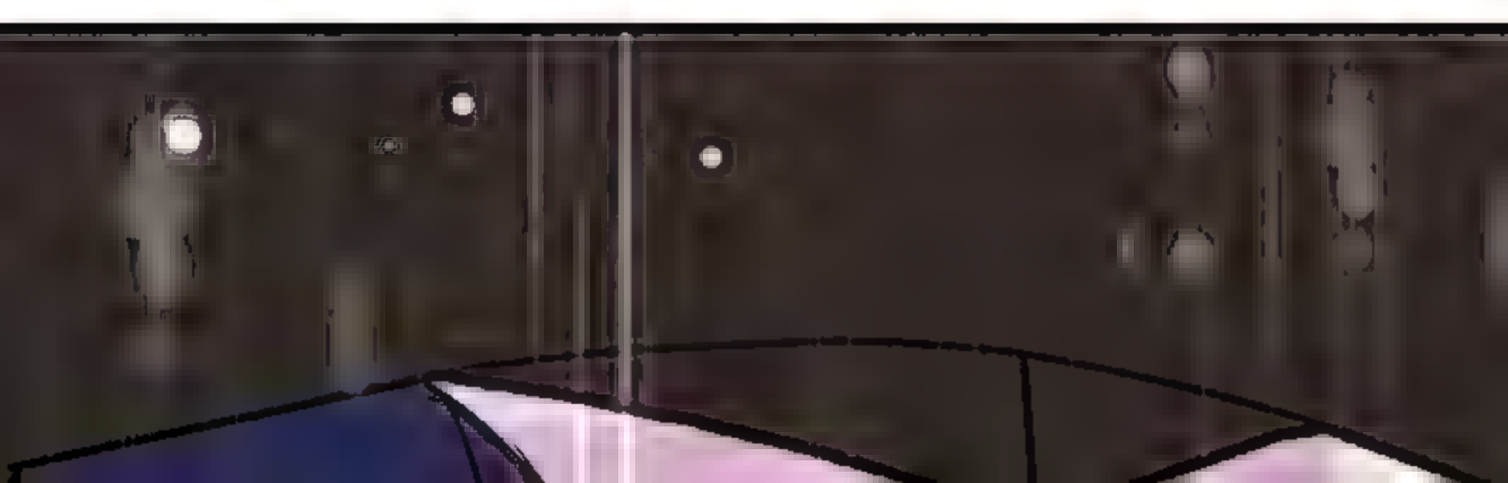

I'M TELLING YOU! BONEY REALLY DID THAT LAST TIME!
HAHAHA! BONEY'S SO CUTE.



JISEOK KIM?
HMM?

OH?

Oh!
UMM... AND YOU ARE?

OH, MY...

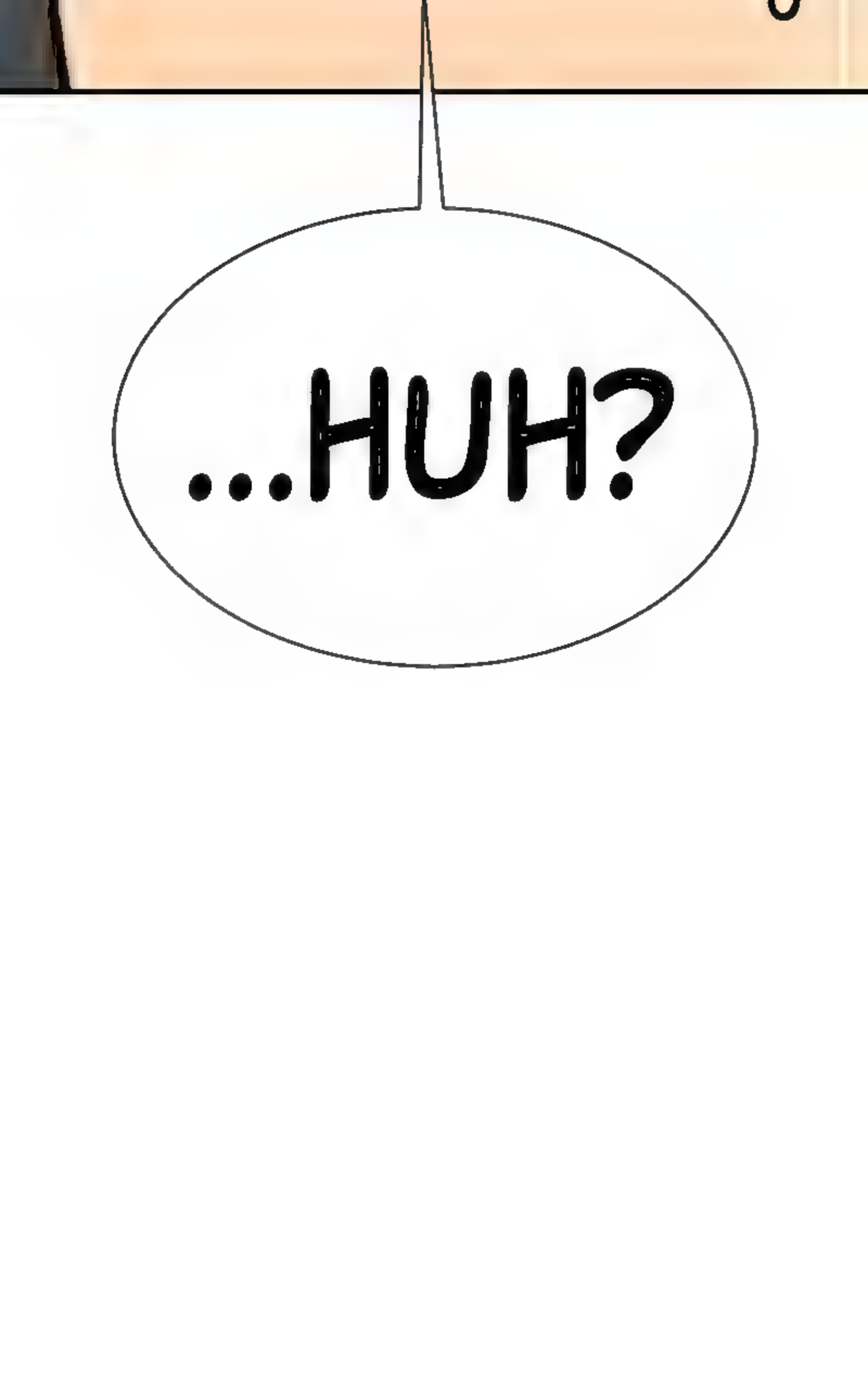
NOW I'M SAD...

I UNDERSTAND IT'S OUR FIRST TIME MEETING IN REAL LIFE.

BUT HAVE YOU ALREADY FORGOTTEN MY VOICE?

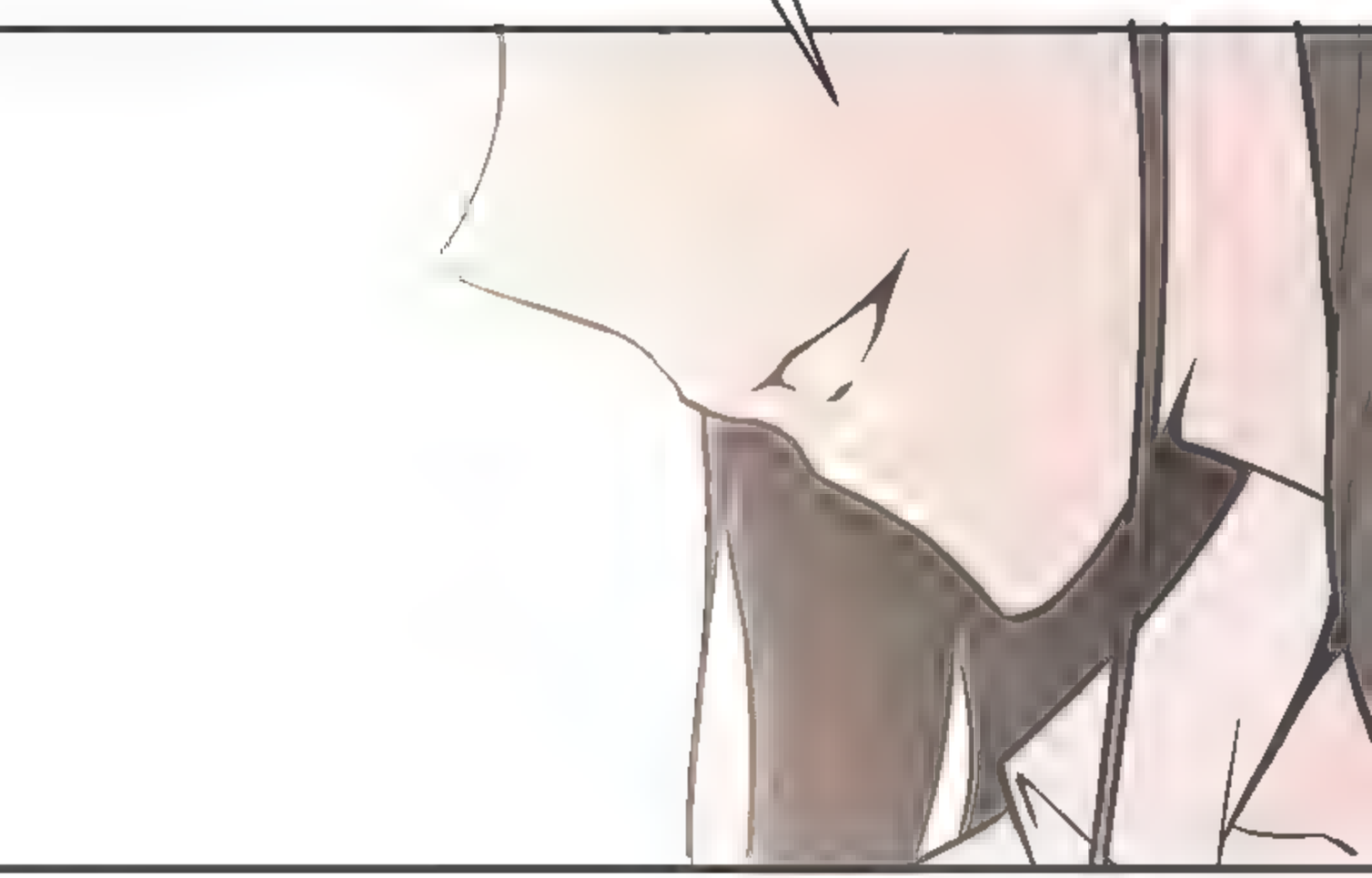
VOICE?

YOUR VOICE...?


...HUH?

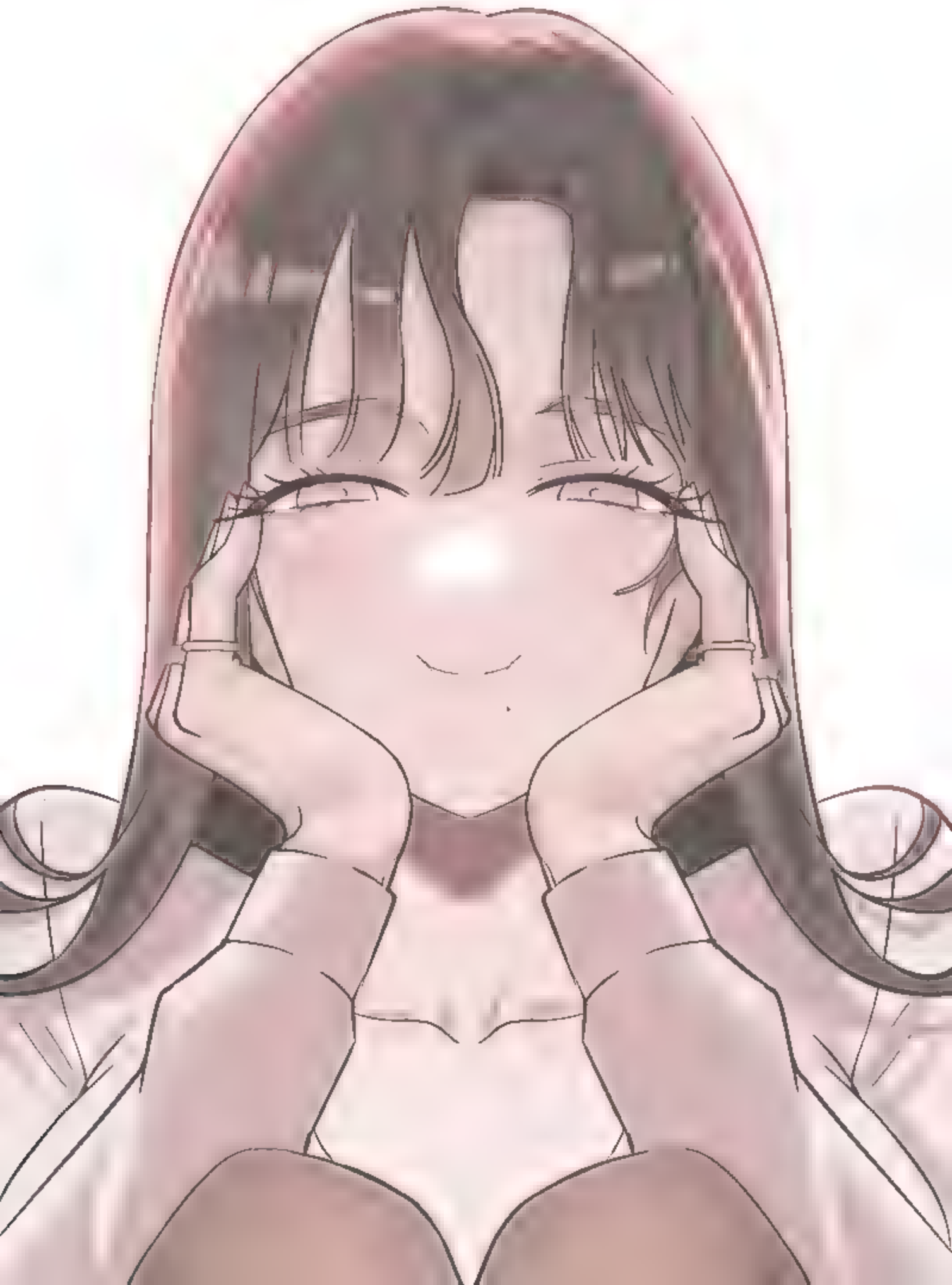
I'M

GOING TO NEED YOU TO SHOW A BIT MORE WILLPOWER THAN THIS.



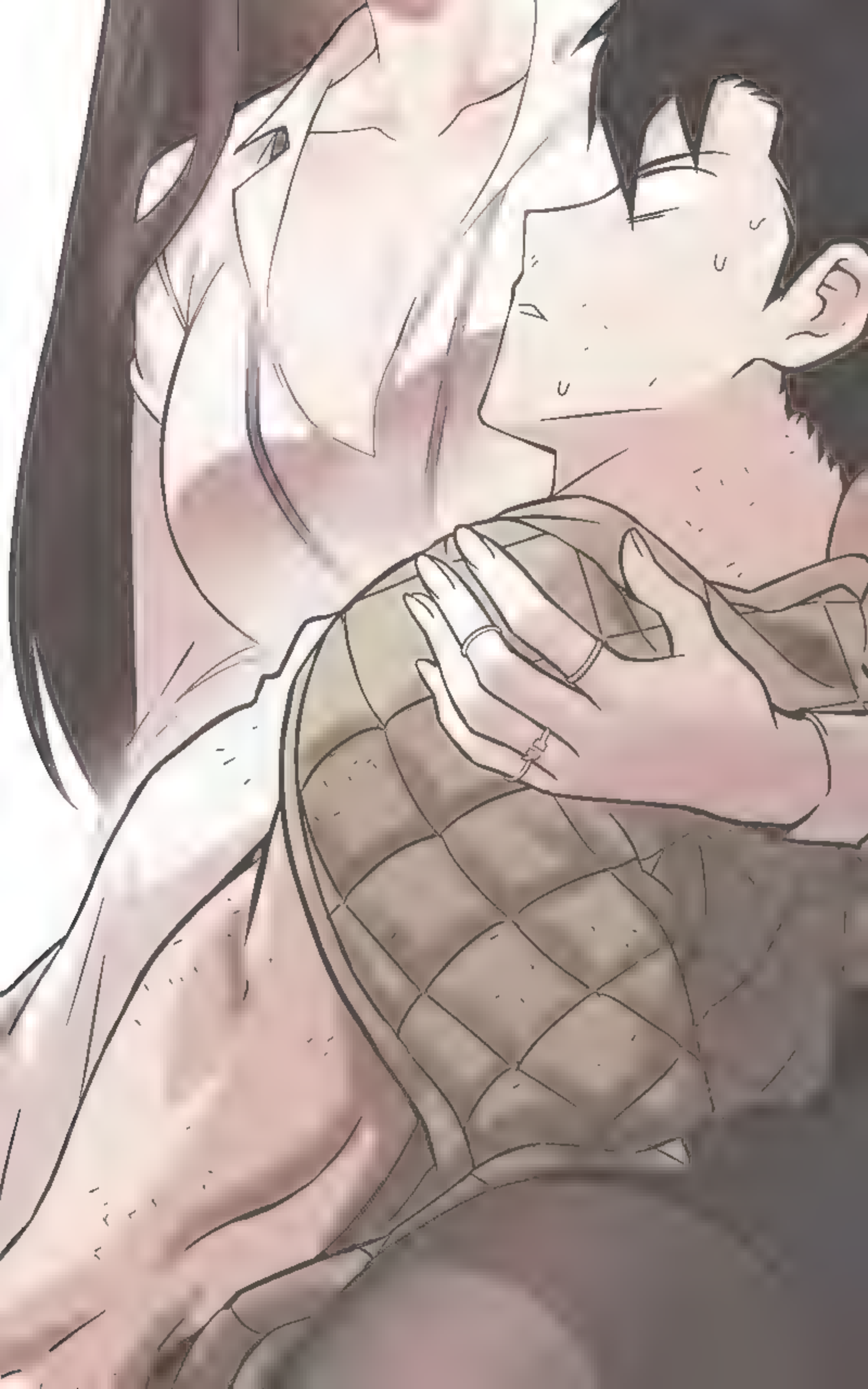
I DID SO MUCH...

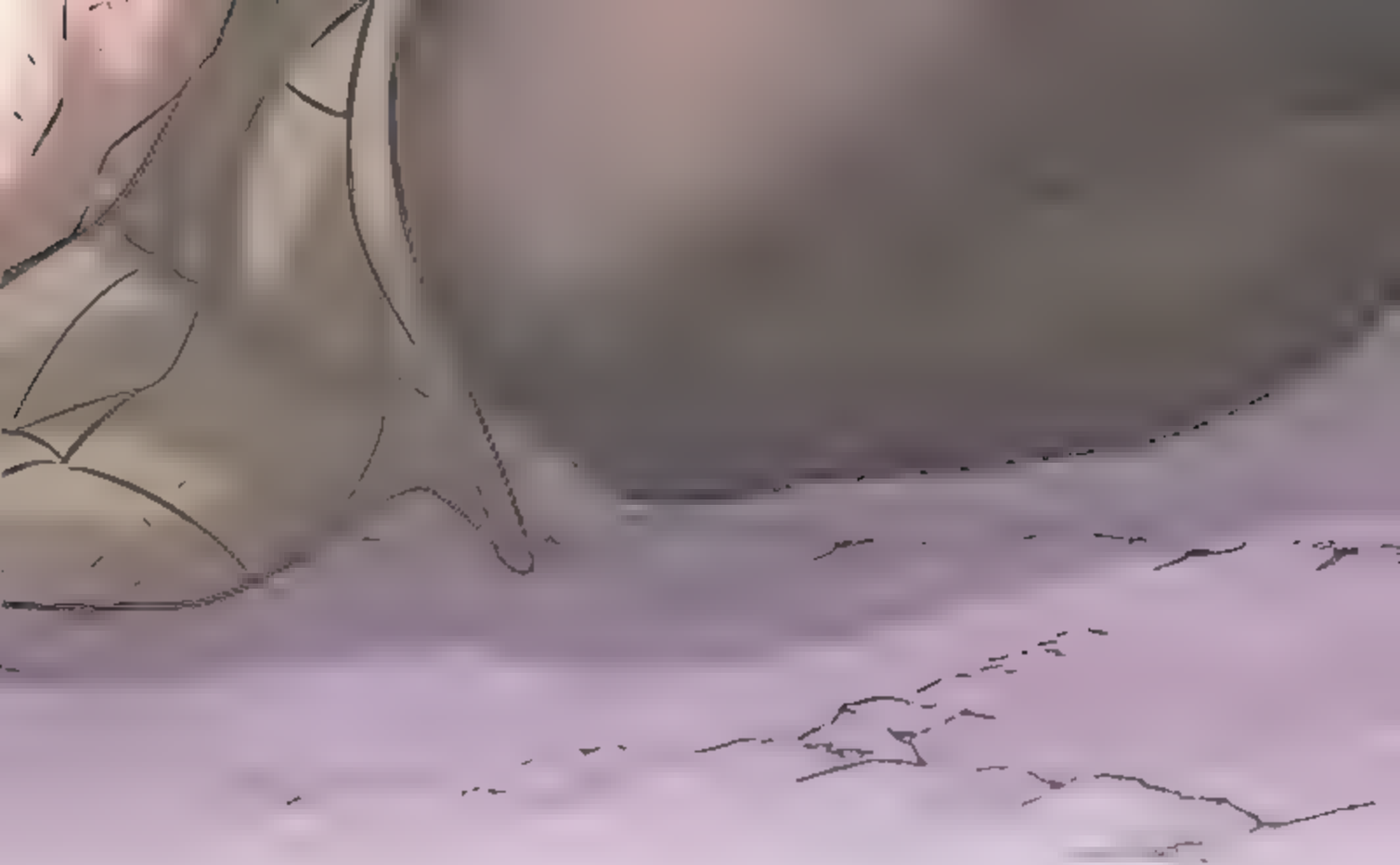
...TO MAKE YOU STRONGER.

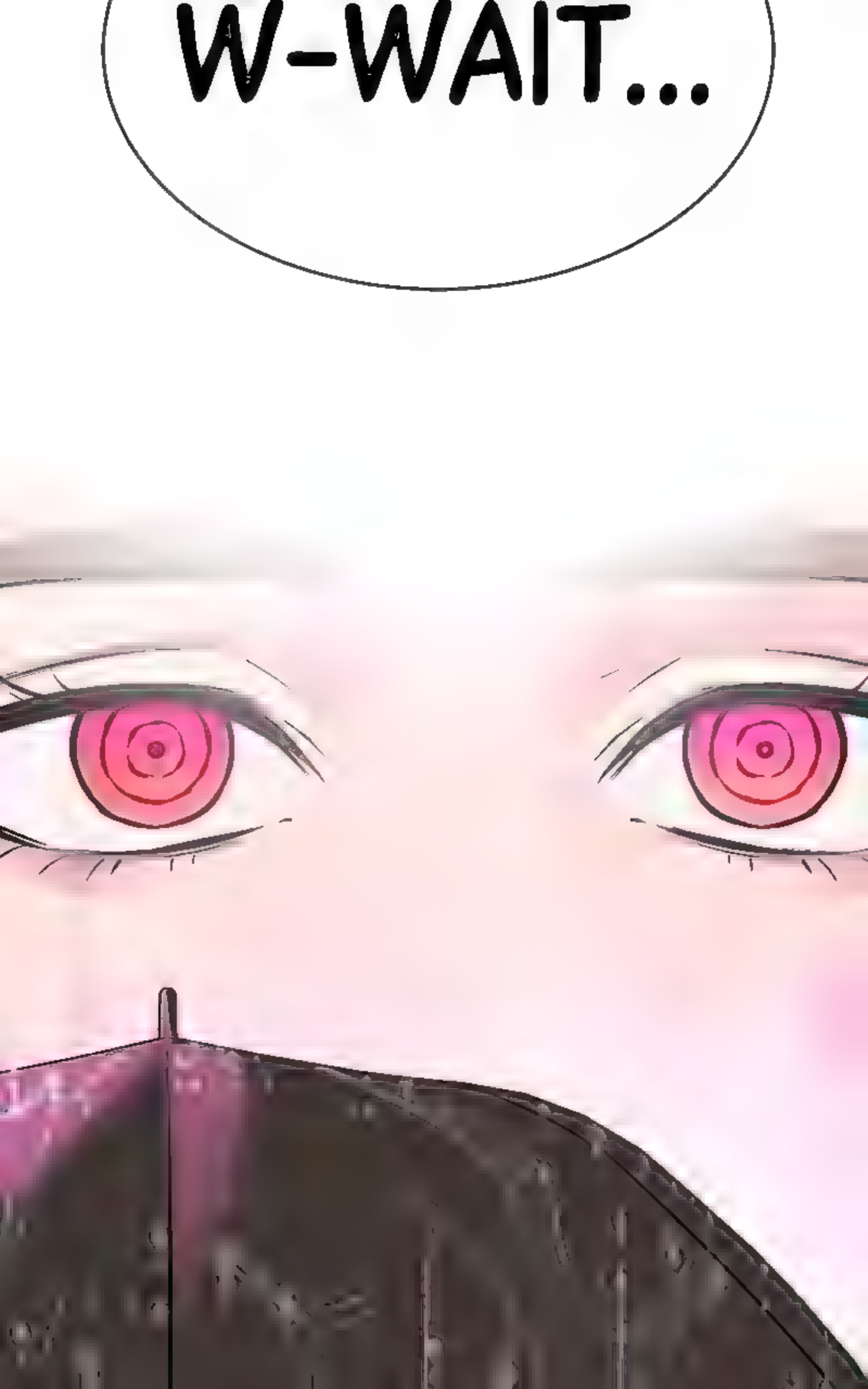


DO YOU
KNOW HOW MANY
TIMES...

...I HAD TO KILL YOU?



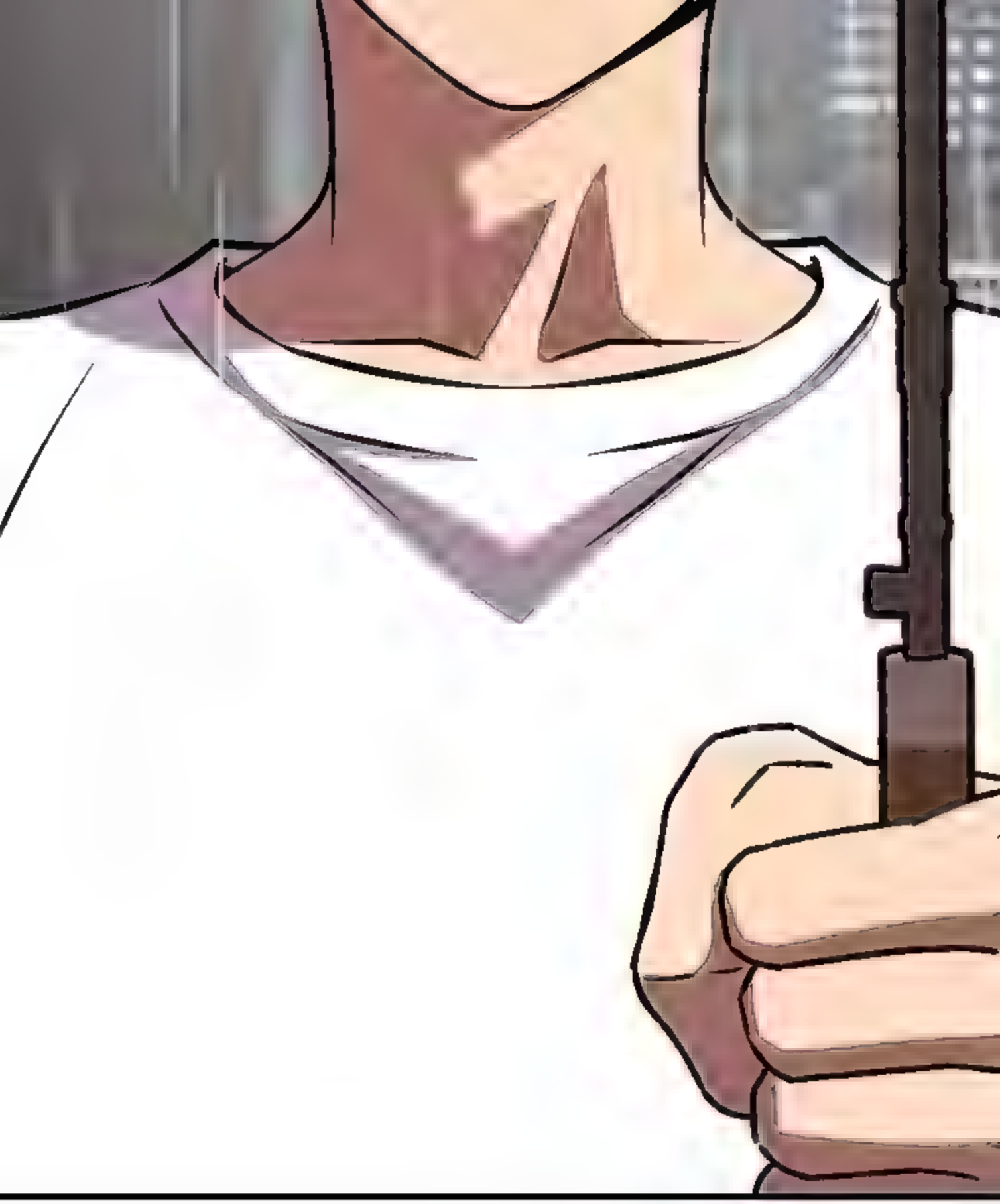



W-WAIT...

Y-YOU...!

PLEASED TO MEET YOU, KING JISEOK...

I MEAN,
JISEOK KIM.



COULD

I HAVE A BIT OF YOUR TIME?

I HAVE SOMETHING TO DISCUSS WITH YOU.

AND I'D MUCH PREFER IT WAS... JUST THE TWO OF US♥

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